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CHEQUE CASE COLLAPSES.

Judge Rules Out New Evidence.

BANK TO PAY \$72,665.

A somewhat sensational conclusion was reached this morning to the case which was being tried before the Chief Justice (Sir William Rees Davies) and a Special Jury, in which the Tai Wo firm of Eastern Street, sued the Bank of East Asia for \$72,665 which, the plaintiffs alleged, was paid out by the bank to some person unknown on two forged cheques. On page 2 of this issue will be found a report of the cross-examination of Mr. E. R. Dovey, the handwriting expert, which took place yesterday afternoon and in which he admitted that the signatures were forgeries although he had previously stated that they were genuine. This morning Mr. Potter for the Bank endeavoured to argue that even if the signatures and chop were forged they were sent to the Bank by the authority and with the knowledge of the Tai Wo firm and were therefore binding. His Lordship, after lengthy argument with Mr. Potter, held that Mr. Potter was not entitled to raise that issue, inasmuch as it had never been pleaded or opened. The case therefore suddenly ended, the jury returning a verdict for the plaintiffs without leaving the box.

MR DOVEY RECALLED.
When the Court first opened, Mr. Dovey was recalled by Mr. Potter and stated that since yesterday he had examined other genuine cheques to see if there were signs of tracing, and he could not discover any. The signature on the application form was a tracing of the signature on cheque No. 34869 (a genuine one), but one of the three suspected signatures were tracings of that cheque. They did not tally on being superimposed. He had endeavoured to discover whether any of the signatures on the two suspected cheques or on the receipt were from any of the genuine cheques, but he had not succeeded. So far as he could find out from the cheques and other documents in his possession, those three signatures were not tracings.

The Foreman of the Jury stated that when Mr. Dovey gave evidence yesterday he laid stress on the fact that certain up-strokes in Lau Se Yuen's signatures were as thick as his down-strokes when inking in the tracing of a signature. He (the foreman) had been trying to make his own signature—(laughter)—and it had occurred to him that it was not very easy.

Mr. Dovey said that it would appear to be a laboured signature and not a natural one if a forger took pains to make up-strokes as thick as down-strokes, but it could be done. It was a small point which a forger might very easily overlook.

HIS LORDSHIP OBJECTS.
Mr. Potter then called another witness from the Bank, but His Lordship objected, saying that Mr. Potter had stated that, apart from a legal point which he wished to argue, he had closed his case.

Mr. Potter stated that he had not closed his case. He admitted that yesterday afternoon he did not intend to call further evidence, but, with great deference, he suggested that he was entitled to do so in order to give the Bank an opportunity of combating the suggestion that somebody, inside the Bank had copied the signatures and committed the forgery. He wanted the Bank to have an opportunity of stating what happened to cheques when they were paid in and that no employee would ever have a chance of tracing a signature.

logary, but your evidence on that point has failed. What are you going to ask the jury now?
Mr. Potter:—I am going to ask the jury to say that the evidence points to one fact and that is that the person who drew these cheques was a person in the Tai Wo firm, that it was to the firm that a cheque book was delivered, that it was from the firm that the receipt was given back to the Bank, that the man in that firm who drew the cheques was a man who knew every penny of money that was in the Bank, and what was going to be paid into the Bank, because the man who drew the cheques had knowledge that in two days' time certain sums would be paid in. I am going to submit that the evidence of the chit cookie who took the cheque book to the firm, who took the receipt and a chopped delivery book back to the Bank, is good evidence.

SHOULD HAVE PLEADED.
His Lordship:—You said first of all that these two cheques contained the actual signature of Lau Se Yuen and you went to great pains to establish that the signatures were genuine. They are now proved to be forgeries and yet you say you are going to ask the jury to say that they were issued with the knowledge and by the authority of somebody in the firm. There is no evidence of that at all, and you should have pleaded it. I hold it in law that you should have pleaded it.

Addressing the jury, His Lordship said that Mr. Potter now wanted to say that the Manager of the Tai Wo firm knew those cheques were issued. "How is it possible for you to say that?" he asked. "You are now in a position in this Court if such allegations are not put on the pleadings?"
To Mr. Potter His Lordship said:—You have alleged that these cheques were genuine and you must stand by your original position. I shall rule that you must have pleaded.

A FRANK OPINION.
His Lordship:—You are setting up an entirely new case. If I might be quite frank, Mr. Potter, the only reason you did not put in an alternative plea was because you relied on your expert evidence to prove that these cheques were genuine.

Mr. Potter:—With great deference, no. The reason why I did not file a rejoinder was because I thought the pleadings were entirely sufficient. We did at first think that we were going to establish that the signatures were those of Lau Se Yuen. When I first came into the case I thought the chop was a genuine one. It was only the other day that we first knew the chop to be a forged one.

His Lordship:—I certainly shall not allow you to go to the jury with this entirely new case. To the jury his Lordship said:—The whole object of a plea is to give both sides an opportunity before coming into Court of knowing what case they have to meet. The parties are not called upon to plead law, but they have to set out the material facts on which they rely. The allegations of the Bank are that Lau Se Yuen did himself affix the chops and put his signatures to the cheques and an expert was called to prove that. Then that expert frankly admitted that the signatures were forgeries. Now Counsel says that they were forgeries but has taken up the alternative position that they were done by the authority and with the knowledge of Lau Se Yuen. That has never been suggested before until the present moment. Under those circumstances I certainly hold that he cannot raise at this stage an entirely new point.

THE VERDICT.
In summing up, His Lordship said that he would rather take the jury's experience on the facts of the case. The error

CHAMPION.



J. O. Anderson, who has won the Australian National Lawn Tennis Championship.

CANTON STRIKE SENSATION.

GUILD MANAGER AND WIFE MURDERED.

A report reaches us from Canton to the effect that the manager of the Guild which has organized the rice strike there has been murdered, together with his wife. It appears that the manager, whose name was Yim Yuet-sang, was asleep in bed with his wife in the early hours of the 27th instant, when six intruders, who gained admittance as visitors, came in and went direct to the sleeping room. They were armed with revolvers, and they fired four shots at the occupants of the bed, killing both. No arrests have been made.

CANTON GAMBLING.

DISPUTE BETWEEN RIVAL TROOPS.

There is a dispute in Canton between the Yunnanese and Kiangsi military commanders over the question of gambling, and it is feared that serious consequences may result therefrom. It appears that the divisional commander of the Yunnanese forces has issued a notice to the effect that the privileges for gambling have been granted to a certain syndicate for the whole city, whilst, on the other hand, the Kiangsi commanders have issued a notice for the suppression of all kinds of gambling. All the gambling dens are at present heavily guarded by Yunnanese troops and it is feared that a conflict with the Kiangsi troops may occur.

evidence for the defence had failed to prove that the signatures were genuine and it was now admitted that they were forged. It would have been almost without precedent if he (His Lordship) had allowed Mr. Potter to proceed with the argument that the cheques were issued with the knowledge of Lau Se Yuen. So far as he (His Lordship) could see, the jury's duty had been purely a ministerial one and there was little, if anything, left for them to decide.

Without leaving the box, the jury returned a verdict in favour of the plaintiffs. Judgment was entered accordingly for \$72,665, the question of the interest being referred to Chambers for argument. A stay of 14 days was granted. His Lordship, to the jury:—I discharge you with the best thanks of the Colony.

CAPTURED BY BANDITS.

FATE OF MRS. LINDSAY'S BROTHER.

The many friends of Mrs. Lindsay, wife of the Vicar of St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon, will have learned with the utmost regret that her brother, Dr. Thompson, has been kidnapped by bandits. Dr. Thompson is a medical missionary at Yunnan-fu, and will be remembered as having preached at St. Andrew's Church. A Reuter's message shows that he was on the way to Peking for the purpose of handing over the late Brigadier General Pereira's belongings and making a report of the conditions under which the latter died, when, on the 24th instant, he was captured by bandits at Paotowchen, some distance west of the Peking-Suiyuan terminus. No further details are at the moment to hand. Dr. Thompson's wife is at present staying at the Vicarage, Kowloon, with her two children, it having been their intention to remain here until Dr. Thompson's return. Much sympathy is felt both for Mrs. Thompson and Mrs. Lindsay at the news which is causing them so much anxiety.

ANOTHER PIRACY.

BATTLE WITH ARMED LAUNCHES.

There is yet another piracy to record, but this time the tale has a different ending. The news, which was received in Hongkong yesterday afternoon, has in it all the elements of a good adventure story. The double-decked launch Hau Hoi left here on Monday at noon bound for Namtao, carrying about eighty passengers and a miscellaneous cargo. She arrived at her destination about half past five yesterday morning, and was just mooring when a boat containing some fifteen or so armed men approached, the occupants brandishing revolvers. They then boarded the launch and compelled the coxswain to steer for Pak Shek. In the meantime the passengers were robbed and the vessel looted.

TIMELY INTERVENTION.

Arrived at Pak Shek, the pirates caused the launch to be run ashore on a sandy beach, and proceeded to depart with their booty in a boat which had apparently been waiting there for them. They seized the launch coxswain and compadre, compelling these men to accompany them. Just then, the Fates decided to take a hand, and up came the launch Lee Fat and a junk both carrying armed crews. The Lee Fat, it will be recalled, was not long ago herself a victim of pirates when on the way from Cheungchau to Hongkong.

It was obvious what was afoot, and the men on the Lee Fat and junk immediately opened fire on the pirates in the boat, who promptly replied. After nearly half an hour's battle, up came another launch, the Hang On, which immediately joined in the fray, and the pirates decided to flee. They got away after losing two men, mortally wounded, and had to leave the coxswain and compadre behind. These men, as soon as the fight started, had jumped into the water, and were later taken aboard one of the rescuing launches. No one on the rescuers' side was hurt. The Han Hoi was brought back to Hongkong yesterday afternoon, and a report of the affair made to the Police. It is estimated that the loot the pirates got away with amounted in value to a few hundred dollars.

TRAMWAY DIVIDEND.

We are informed that the directors of the Hongkong Tramways Limited, recommend a final dividend for 1923 of \$1.75 per share.

THE GERMAN PROBLEM.

FRANCE MAY CHANGE HER ATTITUDE.

(Special News Service.)

Berlin, January 29. The *Libre Belgique* points out that M. Poincaré is about to change his standpoint regarding the Ruhr problem. The paper considers the evacuation of the Ruhr Valley, against payment of the French and Belgium reparations claims, as feasible, since the means for such a purpose could be secured by an international loan. The journal points out that the Ruhr question has considerably increased of late in importance, not only owing to the change of British Government, but owing to the meeting of the First Expert Commission, which has already reached an agreement that Germany needs the whole of the Ruhr Valley's income to balance her budget. The British Consul General, Mr. Clive, is returning to Munich, but will call at the Quai d'Orsay in Paris to report the impressions he has received in the Palatinates.

The Prussian Budget closes with a deficit of 550,000,000 gold marks.

SOME INTERESTING ITEMS.

(Special News Service.)

Berlin, January 29. The Polish Premier has issued a manifesto according to which no more paper money will be paid after February, whilst the Government will arrange credits with the new Goldustebank exclusively. Finland will partake in the conference of Baltic States which has been postponed and will meet at Warsaw on February 12th. Zaghlul Pasha has formed a Cabinet which will strive at Egypt's and the Sudan's absolute autonomy. The Universities of Berlin, Leipzig, Frankfurt and Mainz are experimenting with a new Japanese remedy for cancer. London, quoted on Monday the pound sterling at 9,000 million paper marks. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald has cautioned his constituents against over-optimism regarding what will be achieved, since Labour, in assuming office, represents a minority party.

(Reuter's Service.)

LABOUR'S COLONIAL POLICY.

NO RASH OR VIOLENT CHANGES.

London, January 29. The Rt. Hon. Mr. J. H. Thomas received Empire journalists at the Colonial Office and outlined the Government's Empire policy. He deprecated the idea that there would be rash or violent changes, making for a new Jerusalem. The Government had the idea of a new Jerusalem, but only desired to advance by reasonable and prudent steps. He emphasised that the Labour Party was as patriotic as any other, and desired to promote the welfare of the Empire and draw the ties closer by fair dealing. They regarded it as a sacred trust which they would exercise to develop impartially and freely. Mr. Thomas expressed his goodwill towards all parts of the Empire. He was genuinely anxious that when he relinquished office nobody would be able to say the Empire was less great as a result of the work of a Labour Government. Replying to questions, Mr. Thomas said he had not yet had time to study many questions, but it were madness to assume he would accept all his predecessor did or would be able to tear up all he had done. All questions must be considered. As regards Empire development, a Cabinet statement would be made. As regards Singapore, it had already been decided it could be developed, and unemployment at home be helped by the expenditure of money, though it might not show an immediate return. The Cabinet must consider the resolutions made by the Imperial Conference. He was unable to add to the Premier's statement, which would be rigidly adhered to. As regards Kenya, the Government would discharge its trust to the African natives, and most probably follow the policy outlined in the White Paper issued on that question.

INDIAN BABY SHOWS.

FIRST EFFORT CROWNED WITH SUCCESS.

Delhi, January 29. The first step in the campaign to combat suffering in India, in the shape of a National Baby Week, has proved very successful. Three hundred exhibitions have hitherto been held, including sixty in the Native States. Lady Reading opened the Delhi show with an imposing ceremony. The Viceroy in a speech said he trusted the week would become an annual affair.

BRITISH NAVAL MAN-KILLED.

REGRETTABLE ACCIDENT IN CEYLON.

Colombo, January 29. Petty Officer Woods has been killed and six other naval men injured, through the capsizing of a motor lorry carrying a party belonging to the Empire cruise squadron, on the precipitous road between Trincomalee and Kandy.

HIGHWAYMEN IN THE HOLY LAND.

BRITISH WARRANT OFFICERS MURDERED.

Jerusalem, January 29. Highwaymen attacked and killed a motor-car containing three British soldiers. The occupants, Sergeant-Major Walker and Quarter-master Sergeant Dunn, of the Duke of Wellington's Regiment, were killed. The driver was slightly wounded.

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BANK CASE.

YESTERDAY AFTERNOON'S DEVELOPMENT.

There was something in the nature of a sensational development yesterday afternoon in the case in which the Tai Wo firm, of Eastern Street, is suing the Bank of East Asia, for \$73,565, which had been drawn from the firm's account by means of two cheques, said to be forged.

In the morning, Mr. E. R. Dovey, Government Analyst, had given evidence to prove that the signatures on the cheques were not forgeries but were the signatures of Lan So Yuen, manager of the Tai Wo firm. In the afternoon, when under cross-examination by Mr. F. C. Jenkin, Mr. Dovey was made to admit that the signatures were forgeries.

Cross-examined, Mr. Dovey said he had put all his observations regarding the signature and writing before the jury. He had in no way interfered with the writing himself and each time they passed personally between himself and the defendant bank's solicitors. He had not followed Dr. Hans Gross's "Criminal Investigation" in his investigations in this case.

Mr. Jenkin: Well you will now, with me.

Mr. Dovey further said he was familiar with the test of superimposition in the case of suspected tracing. He did not use that method in this case and was of opinion these signatures had not been traced.

Mr. Jenkin: Well I'm going to show you that there is tracing. I ask you to accept it from me that within 15 minutes of the bundle of cheques coming into my hands last Wednesday I discovered myself stencilling on the genuine cheque.

When I show you with a microscope you will see the tracing running up and down the signature like nullals.

Demonstration.

Mr. Jenkin here commenced a series of interesting demonstrations. He showed Mr. Dovey a signature on the last genuine cheque under a glass and asked what could be seen.

Mr. Dovey: There has been a point passed over the whole signature. That is, there is a groove over the whole writing.

Mr. Jenkin then demonstrated the same thing to his Lordship, the jury and counsel for the defendants.

Mr. Jenkin: Can one suspect tracing?

Mr. Dovey: Yes.

Mr. Jenkin, handing the judge a paper, "Do you see your signature my Lord?"

His Lordship: Yes.

Mr. Jenkin: Well it's not yours, I wrote it. (Laughter.)

His Lordship: If you're not careful Mr. Jenkin, we shall begin to think that you are responsible for these tracings! (Laughter.)

Mr. Jenkin, in reply to an observation by Mr. Potter:—I shall forge one for \$500,000 on your account!

Mr. Potter: It wouldn't be a bit of use to you Mr. Jenkin! (Laughter.)

Further cross-examined, Mr. Dovey agreed that comparative measurement would demonstrate that a suspected signature had been traced from a genuine one.

Forgery.

Thereupon Mr. Jenkin requested Mr. Dovey to measure the enlargements of Lau So-yuen's signature. Mr. Dovey made measurements on a genuine one and on a suspected one. He found the length of the

genuine signature 49.3 millimetres and the suspected 50 millimetres. The "Y" from top to bottom measured 19.3 millimetres on the genuine and 20 millimetres on the other one.

Mr. Jenkin: Practically identical?

Mr. Dovey: Very close.

Mr. Jenkin: Are you commencing to doubt whether the signatures have been traced?

Mr. Dovey: If one of the suspected signatures will superimpose I can have no doubt that it is a forgery.

Mr. Jenkin: Another way is comparative measurement?

Witness: Yes, but it only deals with a few points.

Mr. Jenkin: I'm going to give you plenty more. Are you getting a bit doubtful?

Witness: It looks very suspicious.

Mr. Jenkin: We put much weight on your opinion in this court and I'm obliged to you for your statement.

In reply to further questions Mr. Dovey said what had been brought out was remarkable.

Mr. Jenkin: It is a remarkable thing that it was entirely overlooked by an expert of some standing. Have you any doubt that the signature on the application form is a forgery? I have more points you know!

Mr. Dovey: I don't think there is much doubt.

The Chief Justice: That applies to the application form.

Very Clever.

Mr. Jenkin: You may withdraw the whole of your evidence which was this morning directed towards proving that this signature was not a forgery?

Mr. Dovey: This is much stronger evidence: it only goes to show the cleverness of the forgery.

He agreed that it was undoubtedly traced from a genuine signature and that his evidence in chief must be withdrawn.

Mr. Jenkin: Having to admit that the photos can now be torn up, do you still hold the confirmed opinion that the signatures were written by the man Lau Seyuen himself?

Mr. Dovey: It certainly throws very great doubt upon it.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that this writing is that of a man of much greater vigour and a more youthful man than the man who wrote the genuine ones?

Mr. Dovey: I consider that they are written more carefully. The angles are more curved.

Mr. Jenkin: Exactly.

Mr. Dovey added that this was not so in the body of the cheques.

Mr. Jenkin: Quite so. I shall bury that body I expect. The witness said he could not admit that the writing on the suspected cheques was left to dry when written and that on the genuine ones it had been blotted.

Mr. Jenkin: You are an expert you know. Do you mean to say you can't tell us whether any of these have been blotted or allowed to dry?

Mr. Dovey: It is quite possible that the suspected ones were allowed to dry. He added that no reason for this suggested itself to him.

Pale Places.

Mr. Jenkin: Do you know what Hans Gross says about pale places?

—No.

Mr. Jenkin: You agree that in genuine signatures there are pale places and that in forgeries there are not?—Yes.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that there are pale places in all the genuine signatures in this case.

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Mr. Dovey: Quite. But I could write a forged signature with pale places.

Mr. Jenkin: Yes, so could I.

Mr. Dovey in reply to further questions admitted that he entertained doubts about the two cheques, not that they were written by the same man as the genuine ones, but in the sense that they were written by another hand, the true forger.

Mr. Jenkin: You have no doubt in your mind that through the instrumentality of some forger this man Lau Seyuen and the Bank have been defrauded?

Mr. Dovey: No.

Mr. Jenkin here intimated that he would not further cross-examine

Mr. Dovey and Mr. Potter asked for permission for the cheques in question to be taken away by him for examination before he re-examined.

His Lordship called all counsel into chambers and after a short consultation adjourned the court till this morning.

To-day's proceedings are reported elsewhere in this issue.

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SUN YAT-SEN'S PLEA.

MESSAGE TO BRITISH LABOUR.

Telegraphic advices from Canton received last night bring the account of a message sent by Dr. Sun Yat-sen to the new British Premier and his followers.

Dr. Sun Yat-sen asks for a change of viewpoint in Great Britain with regard to China and Chinese affairs, pointing to the strides made in recent years.

The full text of the message follows:

Canton, Jan. 29.
Dr. Sun Yat-sen has cabled the following message to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald: "Permit a fellow-worker in the cause of Labour to send you fraternal greetings, and hail your party's accession to power as the morning of a new era, not only in English history, but in the secular affairs of nations."

"We look to you to deal with China not as if she were still a conquered nation, of the day of opium wars and 'Boxer' outbreak (which has seemed to be the implicit or unconscious attitude of your predecessors at the Foreign Office, and successive British Ministers to this country), but as the home of a people whose civilizing work in Asia, both as conqueror and teacher, entitles them, at least, to the same treatment now accorded to nations whose sovereignty has been freed of pre-war fetters."

"And in particular I have to ask you to examine afresh the fanciful views which some of your official subordinates hold of me as a Labour leader and a Socialist."

Kuo-Min-Tang also Cable. The following cable has been sent to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald by the Kuo-min-tang Conference:

The Right Hon. Ramsay MacDonald, London: The National Conference Kuo-min-tang, representing every province and territory in China and Chinese overseas, now in session at Canton, passed the following resolution:

Whereas the programme of this party in promoting democracy and improving social welfare of people is in many respects, similar to that of British Labour Party

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

HUNGARIAN FINANCES.

London, Jan. 29.
The Daily Telegraph's diplomatic correspondent states that the Commissioner General for supervision of Hungary's finances under the reconstruction scheme will be Mr. W. P. G. Harding of the Federal Reserve Board of Washington. The appointment is everywhere welcomed in financial circles.—Reuter.

GOVERNMENT SHARE HOLDINGS.

London, Jan. 29.
The Chancellor of the Exchequer has announced that the Government has decided that it is not prepared to dispose of the Government share holdings in the Anglo-Persian Oil Company.—Reuter.

RUMANIAN GOVERNMENT LOAN.

Paris, Jan. 29.
It is semi-officially denied that the Rumanian Government has declined the proposed loan from France, to which France has already agreed, as was previously reported.—Reuter.

CATTLE DISEASE OUTBREAK OVERCOME.

London, Jan. 29.
There are signs that the foot and mouth outbreak has been subdued. Only forty-six cases occurred last week, the fewest since 23rd August.—Reuter.

RAILWAY STRIKE OVER.

London, Jan. 29.
The railway strike has been settled.—Reuter.

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SHANGHAI BROKER'S SUICIDE.

WIFE DISCOVERS BODY AT OFFICE.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

Mr. Meyer Fredericks, a prominent member of the Sharebrokers' Association residing at the Kalee Hotel, committed suicide at his office, No. 25 Jinkee Road, this morning. Placing a rifle in the corner of the room, he lay on the floor and pushed the trigger with a ruler.

Fredericks failed to return home last night but was seen entering his offices at eleven at night. This was the last seen of him alive. His wife, worried over his absence, visited the office and discovered the body. It is believed he was in financial difficulties.

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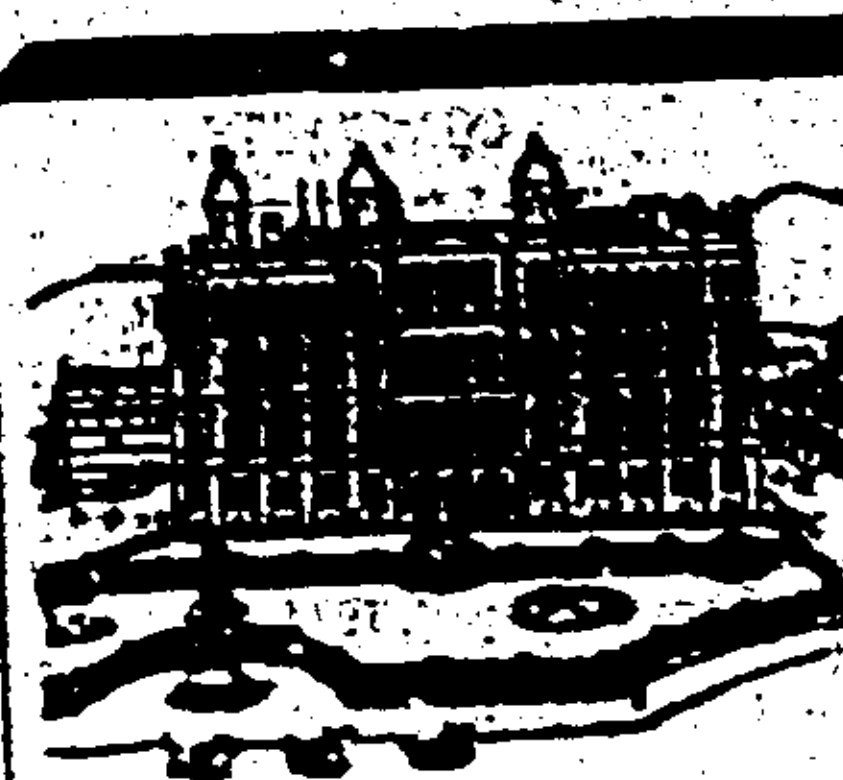
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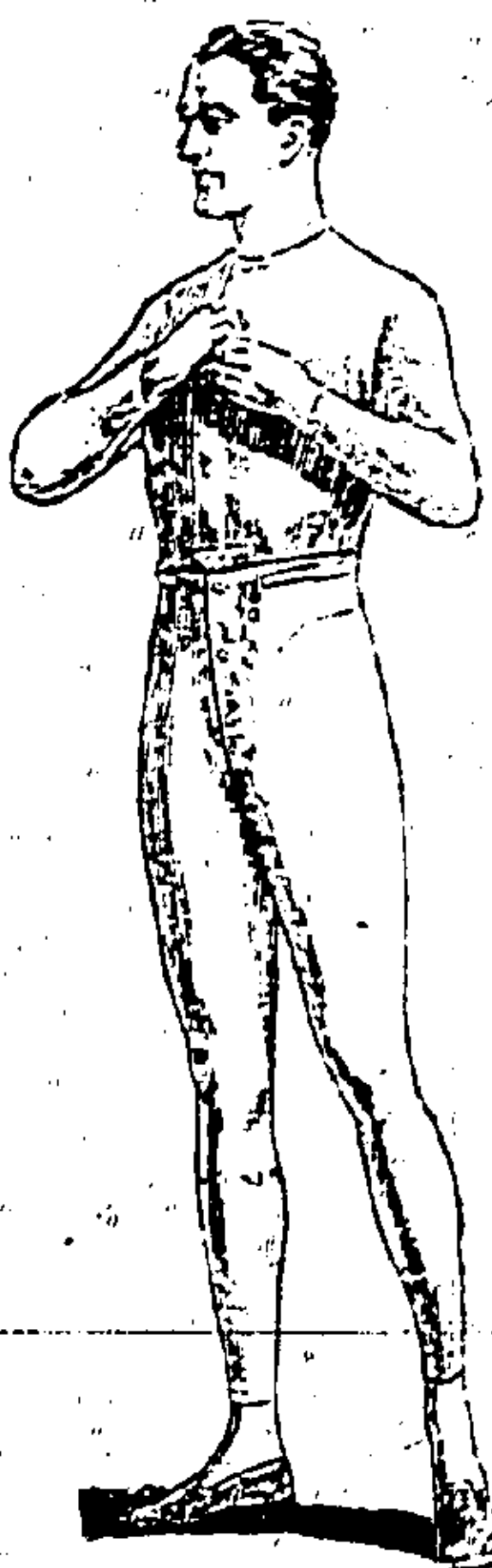
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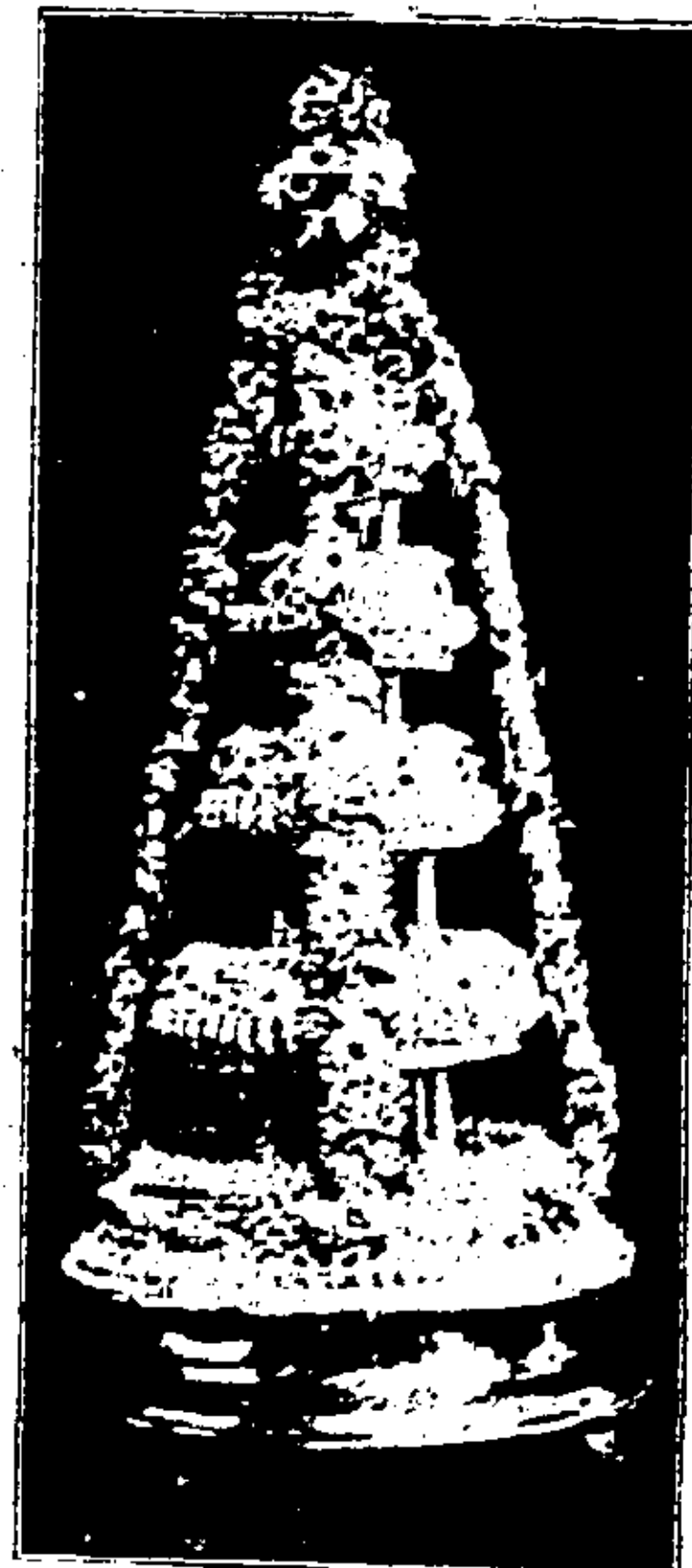
THE ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company No. 4a, Des Voeux Road, on FRIDAY, 1st February 1924, at 12 O'CLOCK NOON for the purpose of receiving a Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend and electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Saturday 19th January to Friday 1st February 1924, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

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JOHN ARNOLD,
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Hongkong, 9th January 1924.

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from the 1st February to 9th February (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON
General Managers,
Hongkong, 23rd Jan. 1924.

WAR DEPARTMENT CONTRACTS.

Sealed Tenders will be received at the Office of the O.C. R.A.S.C., Headquarters Offices, Victoria Barracks, Hongkong, until 12 o'clock noon, on the dates stated, for the undermentioned services for a period of twelve months from 1st April, 1924.

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The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday, 21st January to Saturday, 2nd February 1924, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
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F. E. NASH
Solicitor,
10, Queen's Road Central
Hongkong, Jan. 26th 1924

NOTICE.

MEMBERS of the Queen's College Old Boys Association are reminded of the Extraordinary General Meeting in the College Hall on Wednesday, the 30th inst., at 5.30 p.m.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that as from January 28th, 1924 our office will be removed to

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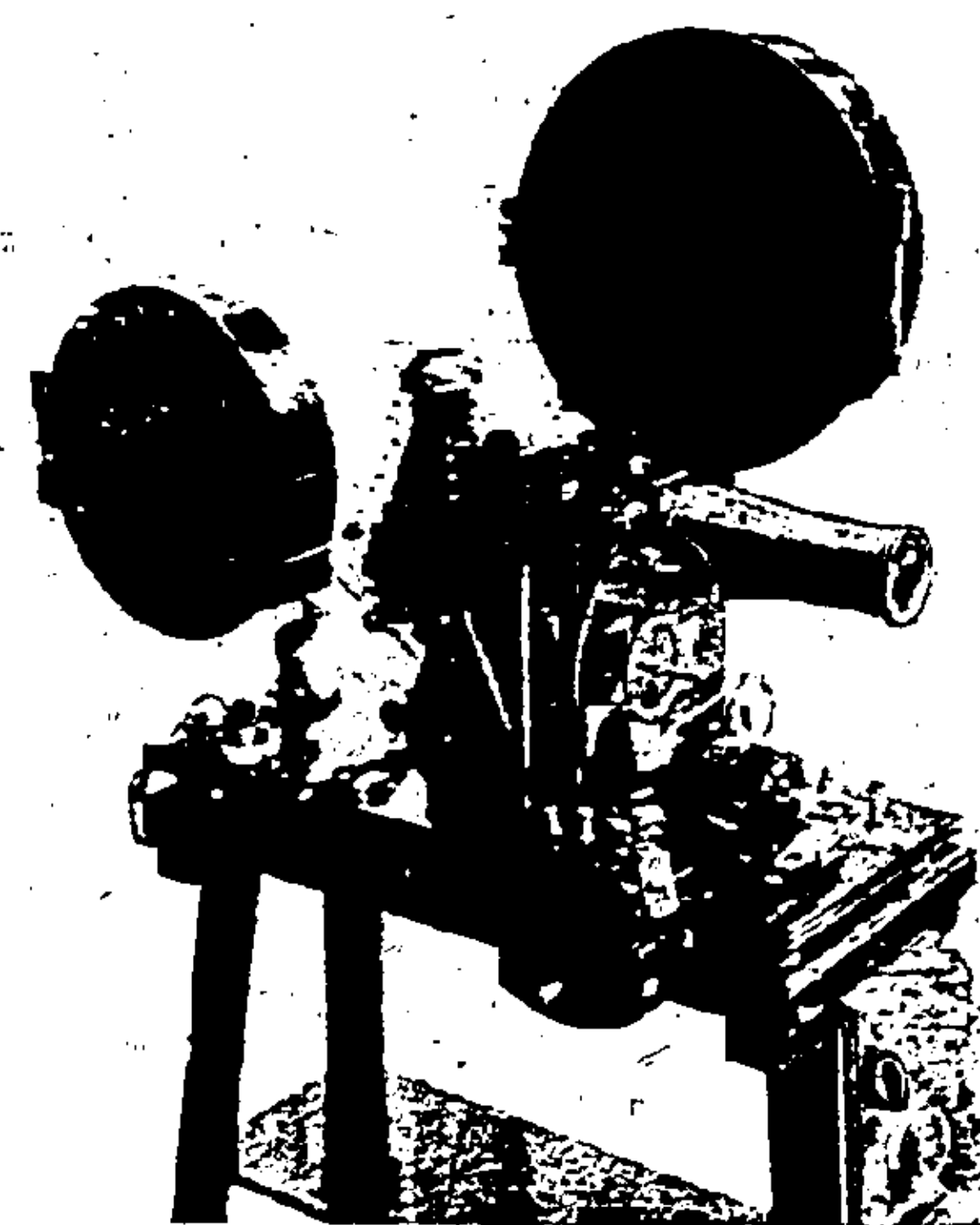


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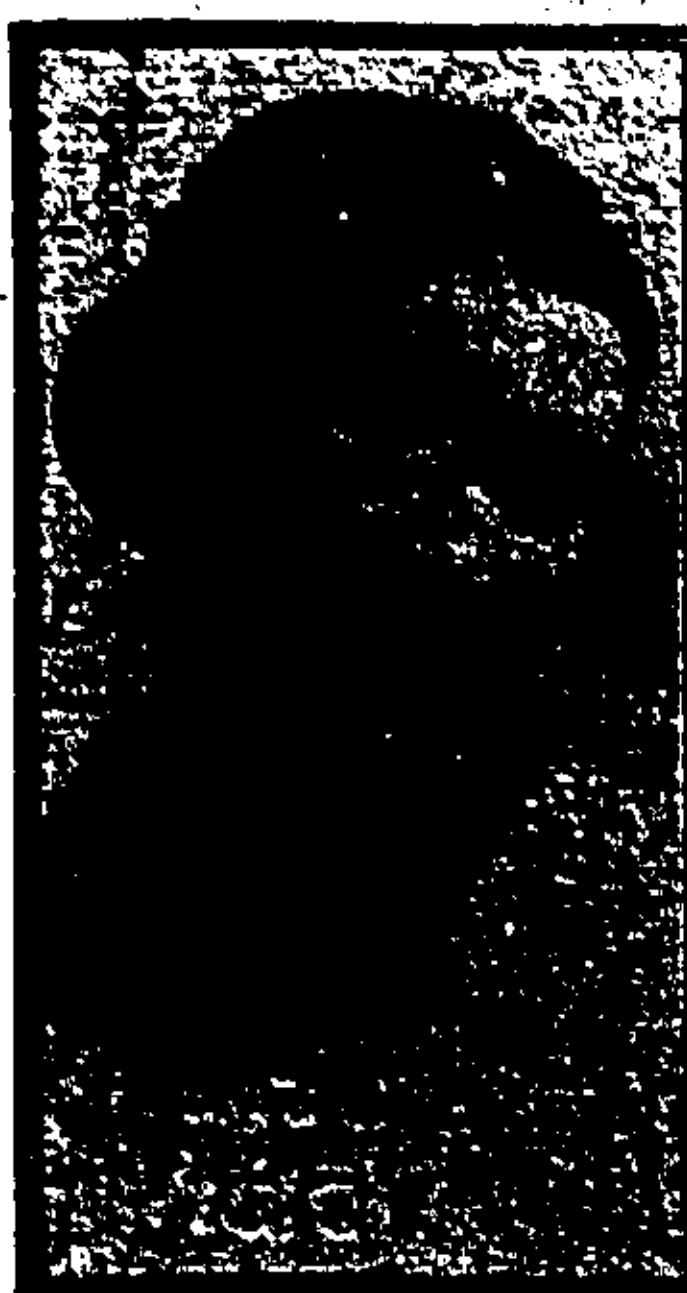
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Hongkong, 28th Jan., 1924.

The Undersigned have received instructions from Com. W. R. Preston, R. N. (recently on China Station), to sell by Public Auction, on FRIDAY,

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Hongkong, 22nd Jan., 1924.

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RUGBY.

NAVY WIN THE CUP.

By defeating the Club at Happy Valley yesterday afternoon, the Navy are again the holders of the Hongkong Rugby Football Association's Cup. After the match played on Saturday, by which the Club and Navy teams were placed level with one win each to their credit, it was decided to play the final game as early as possible and this took place last evening before a good crowd mainly composed of naval men.

The Navy, won by eight points to nil and fully deserved their victory, in spite of the fact that there was little to choose between the forwards of either side. It was in defence, where the Club was weak, the halves and three-quarters failing to work with that combination so essential to scoring. The first half saw no scoring at all, but the Navy had slightly the better of matters. The Club pack were often in their opponents' territory and some good chances were missed.

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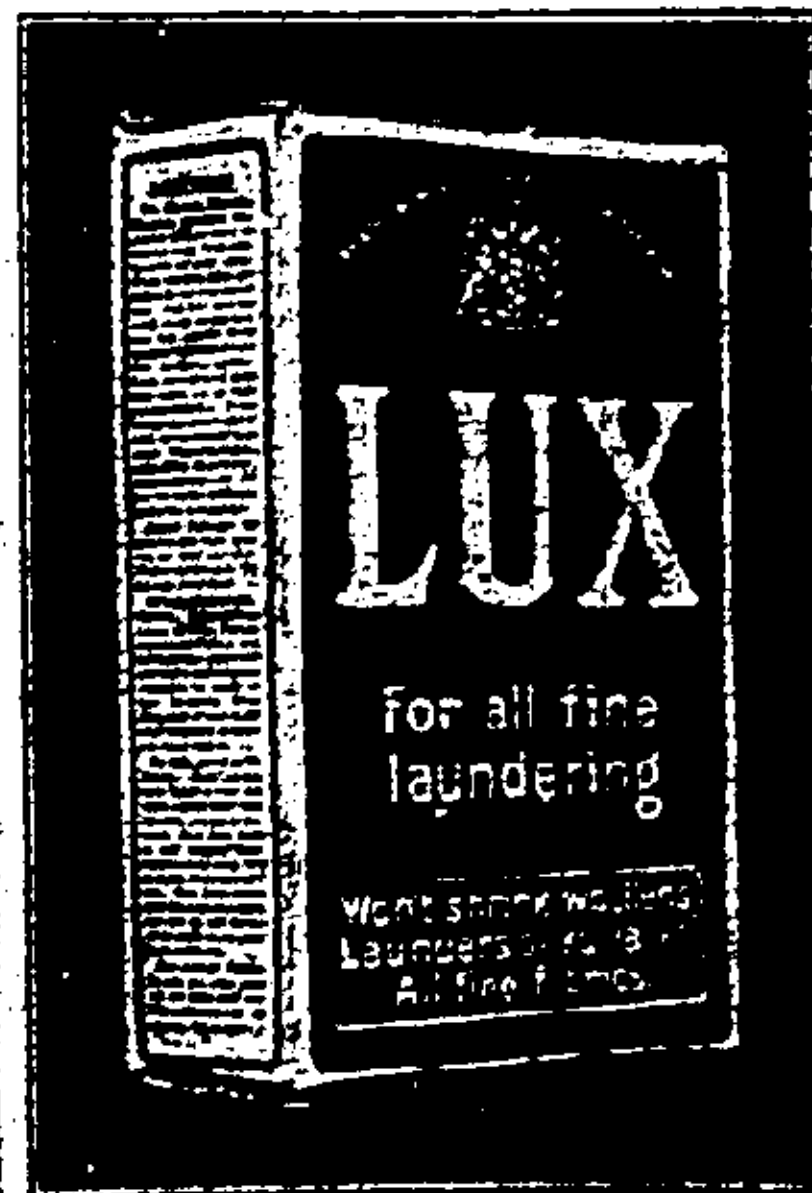


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By Order
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

DEATH OF MR. J. H. McMICHAEL.

A WELL-KNOWN SHANGHAI RESIDENT.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

Mr. J. H. McMichael, one of the oldest members of the American community in Shanghai, and former managing partner in the firm of Messrs. Everett, Frazar and Wetmore, also a former member of the Municipal Council, has died at the age of 67. He had been a resident of Shanghai since 1867, and was largely instrumental in founding the American Chamber of Commerce, of which he was the first president.

DOLLAR LINER COMING.

BIG CELEBRATIONS IN SHANGHAI.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

The President Harrison, the first Dollar round-the-world ship, arrived to-day bringing the San Francisco Trade Partyland others. She was met by a delegation from the American Chamber of Commerce.

An elaborate entertainment programme is planned during the stay in Shanghai, including a reception at the American Consulate, a Chamber of Commerce dinner, and a motor trip excursion to Soochow. She leaves Friday morning for Hongkong.

SMALLPOX VICTIMS.

TWO AMERICANS DEAD IN SHANGHAI.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Shanghai, Jan. 29.

Two more foreign deaths from smallpox, both Americans, are reported to-day. They are the Rev. Walters Thompson, an Independent Missionary teacher, at Benlah School, and D. A. Moody, a seaman on the U.S.S. Hannawa. Funeral services were held yesterday for Mrs. Elvina Elizabeth Courtney, the American wife of Frank J. Courtney, who died of smallpox on Saturday midnight.



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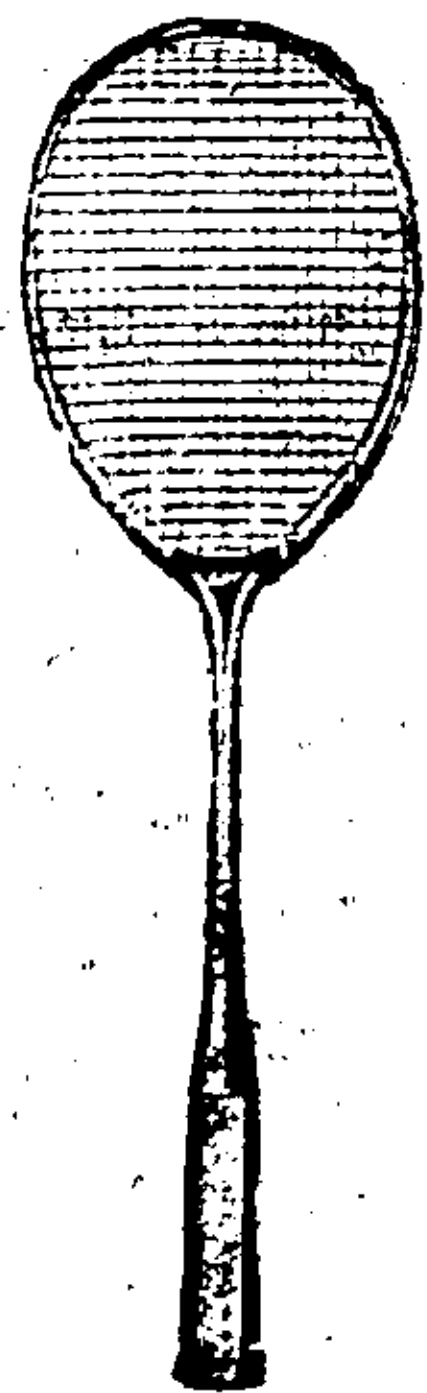
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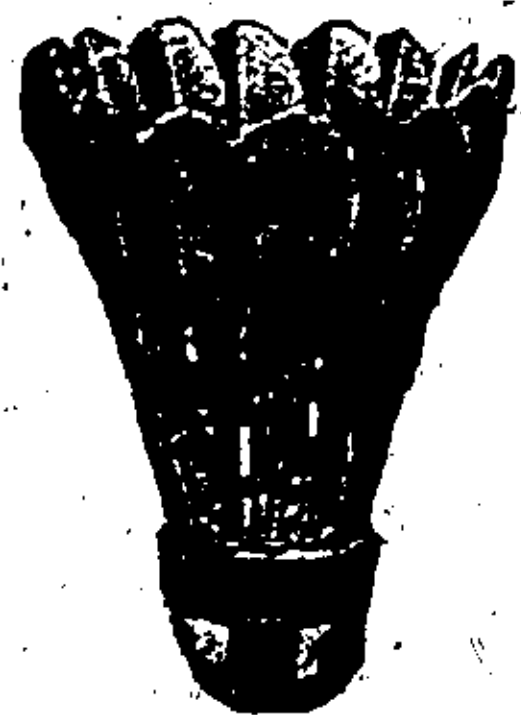
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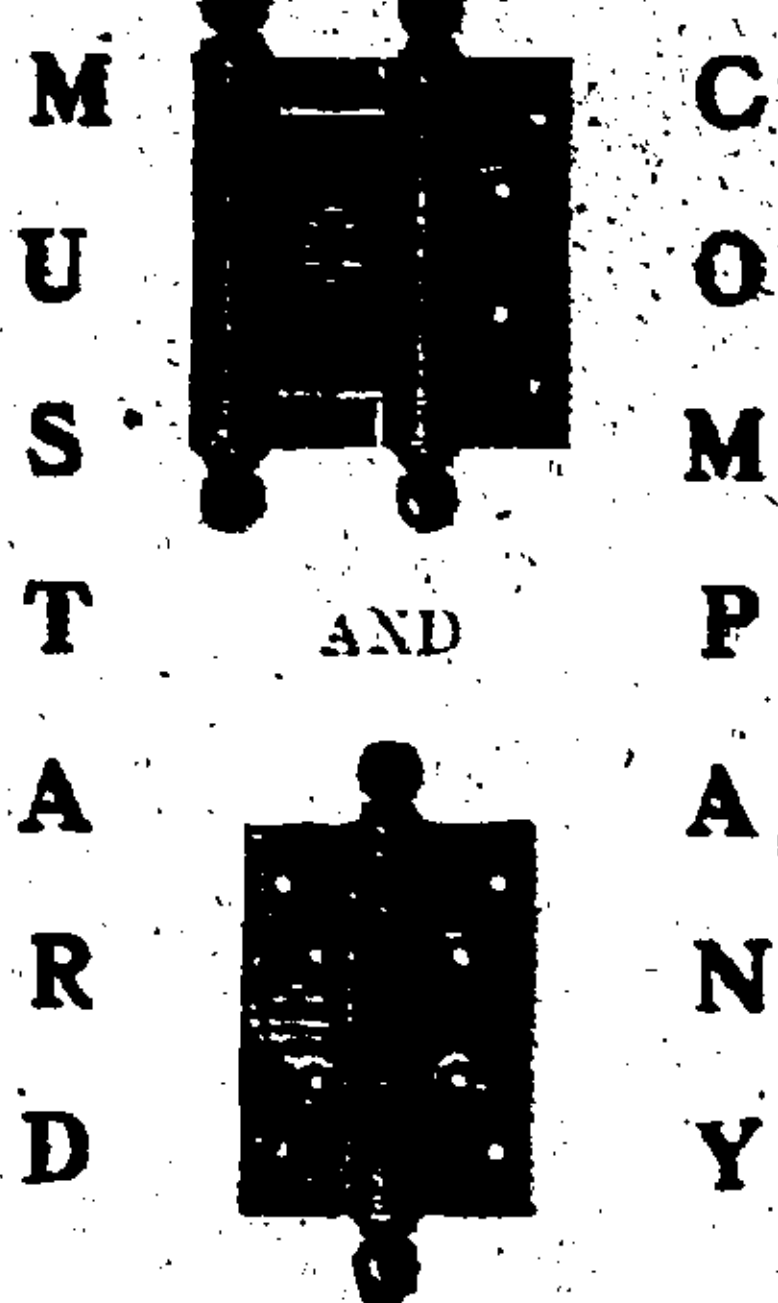
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HONGKONG, 30th Jan. 1924.

TIME TO ACT.

The strong comments which we yesterday reprinted from a Shanghai shipping paper, suggesting that further delay in dealing with the pirate problem would be criminal, may be taken as representing the views of those who are most directly concerned in this matter—the men who man our ships and have in their keeping the lives and property of others. Whether the suggestion of an expedition to ferret out the pirate gangs is feasible, and whether it would put a stop to the evil, we should not care to say. These are matters for the authorities both here and in Canton to consider. But that patience is being exhausted over the absence of any organised means of combating the pirates there can be no shadow of doubt. We should hesitate to add further to the many suggestions which have been put forward to deal with the evil—some reasonable, and many others which verge on the ridiculous—but we are quite at one with those who urge the need for urgent action. That, it seems to us, is the prime necessity.

Very many weeks ago, draft regulations covering various aspects of the problem were circulated, but these were considered so absurd in certain regards that they met with unanimous condemnation from practical men. Since then, we believe the Government and the Chambers of Commerce have been conferring on the subject, but no one outside the charmed circle appears to have the slightest idea as to the present state of the controversy. What we all know, however, is that whilst the "conversations" are proceeding, fresh piracies are occurring and lives being sacrificed. Nero fiddles while Rome burns. The public and seafaring men are becoming increasingly impatient meanwhile. What we should like to feel is that full and ample opportunity is being given for practical men—men who know the dangers from experience—to express their views on the subject. The Coast Officers' and Engineers' Guilds are very vitally interested in this matter, and we presume that they are losing no time in representing to the authorities the views of their members. Their advice appears to us to be absolutely essential.

Whatever is done, it is clear that there must be co-operation between the Hongkong and the Canton authorities. The fact needs no stressing that Canton, of itself, is utterly unable to cope with the problem. But it is equally true that the Canton authorities have shown the utmost willingness to co-operate with Hongkong in tracking down the evil-doers. We are presuming, therefore, that no objection would be offered to a patrol system, the benefits of which would be shared by Canton just as much as by Hongkong. It must not be overlooked that Chinese nationals are great sufferers from the operations of pirates, and that fact should supply a sufficient reason for Canton's acquiescence in any reasonable scheme for the joint protection of the lives and property of foreigners and Chinese. Of all the suggestions put forward, the advisability of some system of patrols appears to us to stand out as one imperative need, and we hope that means of instituting it will be found without much further delay.

Degrees of Appreciation.

Yesterday saw the close of the exhibition of watercolours by Japanese artists—we are told they are famous artists—in the City Hall, and it will not be out of place to comment on one or two aspects of the display. We should be failing in our duty as impartial critics if we pretended to think that every one of the pictures shown was a veritable work of art or that the visitor could pick out a gem wherever he chanced to look; or if we ignored the opinions expressed as to certain of the exhibits by some of those who went to see them. Without pretending to be art experts we can state that our own opinion was that there were not a few very clever, and beautiful studies. It is all a matter of the angle from which one views a picture (literally as well as figuratively), and the degree of one's appreciation. As for some of the paintings—or more correctly, water-colour drawings—they tended towards the amateurish. There are good and bad in everything, and the art lover need not be told which are which. What might seem fine to one person—the artist himself, for instance—might not appeal to the majority. So let it be; for we are not minded to further what might develop into a controversial discussion. As independent commentators we have had our say.

Benevolent Societies.

The annual report of Hongkong's Benevolent Society exhibits anew that quiet charity which does a great deal without any ostentation, and shows results of which its organisers might well be proud. How great is that humanity which, being cognisant of the sufferings of the unfortunates of this world, gives of its best in aid and succour. Thus we find people devoting much of their time to honorary work which can offer as a reward nothing but the knowledge of having brought peace of mind, and maybe life and hope itself, to a fellow human being; and that is enough return for their labour. The local society deserves the help of all who desire to do something for "sweet charity." Our Government, realising, no doubt, that the helping of distressed people, temporarily or otherwise, is an eventual asset to the administration, has generously doubled its contribution. The record of last year's deeds shows that the local society's standard is "no deserving case refused assistance." Others of our citizens might note what that record stands for. "Cast thy bread upon the waters." If one may be permitted to dream dreams, it might be that some day an aided destitute will tread the road to fortune, and repay a hundredfold.

CARP 100 YEARS OLD.

A golden carp weighing 24lbs was netted in the Green Pond, Hampton Court Home Park, while the pond was being cleared out. Its scales were as large as pennies and its age is estimated at 100 years. Another golden carp that was netted weighed 18lbs. Both fish were placed in the Long Water of Hampton Court Palace gardens.

DAY BY DAY.

THE WANT OF BELIEF IS A DEFECT WHICH OUGHT TO BE CONCEALED WHERE IT CANNOT BE OVERCOME.—Swift.

Yesterday's health return shows 31 further cases of small-pox, one being American and the rest Chinese.

The Dollar Line has issued invitations for a reception to be given aboard the a.s. President Harrison on Monday next. This is the first of the vessels to arrive here on the round-the-world service.

At yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board, a notification was read from the Shamshing Municipal Council advising visitors not to go into the native city at Canton, on account of the prevalence of small-pox.

The Hongkong Chinese Y.M.C.A.'s officials for the present year are:—President—Dr. Ng Tin Po; Vice President—Dr. Chau Wei Cheung; Recording Secretary—Ngan Kwun Yu; Treasurer—Wong Kwong Shuen.

At an extraordinary general meeting of the China Provident, Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., held yesterday, the resolutions increasing the Company's capital from two million to six million dollars were unanimously confirmed.

The newest organization within the Hongkong Chinese Y.M.C.A. is the Chinese Dramatic Club which was formed a few days ago by a number of senior and junior members, the object of which is to study and enact theatrical performances.

Whilst carrying a European fare in the Albany yesterday, a chair coolie collapsed. He was removed to the hospital, where efforts made to bring him round were unsuccessful, for the man later died. Enquiries showed that his age was 50.

The number of cases of small-pox notified in the Colony last week was 204 and the number of deaths was 89. All the cases notified were Chinese with the exception of two (one British and one American). During the 24 hours ended January 28th, 14 further cases were notified (one being British).

Mr. G. P. Bradford, of Messrs. Struthers and Barry, is returning to Hongkong on the President Jackson after an extended business and pleasure tour of the States. Mr. Bradford will relieve Mr. A. E. Francke as manager in Hongkong, while Mr. Francke will shortly leave to take charge of the Manila office.

An arrest has been made in connection with the armed robbery on an Indian's flat at No. 40, Shaubikwan Road. On the same day a man was searched at the Ming Yuen Gardens and arms were found on him. Three revolvers were included in the charge to be preferred against the prisoner in due course.

"One Exciting Night" enters upon its last two days at the Coronet to-day. The next attraction is "Thorns and Orange Blossoms," a film notable for the return of the up-to-date ramp to the screen. Estelle Taylor is said to give a new characterization altogether, and the film itself is said to be a treat to the eye.

Captain E. E. J. Bensley, R.G.A., is granted leave of absence on private affairs, from 4th to 10th Feb., for the purpose of proceeding to Swatow. Major S. B. Coates, M.C., 24th Bombay Grenadiers (K. E. O.), is granted 12 months leave of absence from 14th March for the purpose of proceeding to the United Kingdom.

In the Singapore Supreme Court last week the Chief Justice dismissed the appeal by Captain Schlette of the K. P. M. steamer, Van Cloon, and Mr. L. Straatmeier, manager of the K. P. M., the representatives of the owners, who had each been fined \$3,000 for allowing the vessel to be used for importation of opium, of nearly 1,500 taels of opium. Part of the drug was discovered in a bag in the paint room, the day after the vessel arrived in Singapore at the end of October, while a larger quantity was afterwards discovered in the shell room, the key of which was in possession of the second officer.

INDUSTRIAL TROUBLE IN BRITAIN.

RAILWAYMEN APPEASED BUT OTHERS FOLLOW.

(Reuter's Service.)

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London, January 29. Regarding the terms of settlement of the railway strike, the railway companies declare they never contended that the decisions of the wages board were obligatory, but they were justified in giving effect to same. The companies are prepared to alleviate the hardship which it has been represented would be involved in the decision to drivers and firemen, on a mileage basis, so that 130 miles shall equal one day's pay, but the mileage will be increased to 140 in July and 150 in January, 1925, unless the interval it be agreed otherwise. The companies undertake that there shall be no dismissals arising out of the application of the decision. All strikers presenting themselves for work within a reasonable time will be reinstated as soon as practicable, without reference to seniority. The signatories agree to use every endeavour to secure that all railwaymen shall work together amicably. Any proved breach of this condition shall be a case for disciplinary action by the companies.

The Dockers Now.

London, January 29. Following the railway settlement, a dockers' strike is now threatened. The national delegate conference of the Transport Workers' Union in London to-day, representing 120,000 dockers all over the country, decided to instruct the members to strike on February 16th in all ports in Great Britain unless in the meantime a satisfactory settlement of the wages dispute be reached. The dockers demand an increase of two shillings a day, and a guaranteed week's work or pay, in order to meet the problem of casual labour. The employers say they cannot afford to pay the increase demanded, which will cost two millions sterling per annum, in view of the depression in the shipping industry.

THE PALATINATE QUESTION.

FRENCH SUGGESTION TO BRITAIN.

Paris, January 29. The Government has proposed to Britain that questions relating to the maintenance of public order and the security of the occupation troops in the Palatinate be submitted to the Ambassadors' Conference. It also favours the reinstatement of German officials whom the Separatists expelled. Belgium has acquiesced.

NEW GOVERNOR OF WINDWARD ISLANDS.

London, January 29. Sir Frederick Seton James, K.B.E., has been appointed Governor of the Windward Islands in succession to Sir G. E. Haddon-Smith K.C.M.G. [Sir Frederick James has been Colonial Secretary of the Straits Settlements since 1916.]

THE BOMBAY MILL STRIKE.

Bombay, January 29. Ninety thousand mill hands are now striking, and sixty-three mills have closed. The managers have announced that the mills will be closed until February 4th, after which if work be not resumed unconditionally they will be closed for a further fortnight.

AUSTRALIAN TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Melbourne, January 29. In the Australian lawn tennis championships final, Anderson beat Schlesinger, 6-3, 6-4, 2-6, 5-7, 6-3. In the doubles, Anderson and Brookes beat Patterson and O'Hara Wood, 6-2, 6-4, 6-3.

GREECE AND RUSSIA.

Athens, December 29. There is reason to believe that the Government has decided in principle to establish commercial relations with the Soviet Government.

OLYMPIC WINTER CONTESTS.

Chamonix, January 29. At ice hockey, Britain beat France by 15 to 2. Canada beat Sweden by 22 to nil. At curling, Britain beat Sweden, by 38 to 7.

HOLLAND AND SPAIN.

The Hague, January 29. Prince Henry of the Netherlands is to visit Spain in March, travelling on the warship Heemskerck.

SIGNIFICANT.

Berlin, January 29. Not a single Separatist has been returned in the elections to the Palatinate Landtag.

(Reuter's American Service.)

THOSE OIL LEASES.

RESOLUTIONS AND COUNTER-RESOLUTIONS.

Washington, January 29. Mr. Denby announced he had no intention of resigning, being convinced that his action in connection with the oil leases was right. He would do the same again regardless of the consequences. Referring to Mr. Robinson's resolution he said he would like to see the Senator who would vote in favour of a resolution besmirching the character of any man without according him an opportunity to be heard. Senator Wheeler proposes to move a resolution in favour of the resignation of Mr. Daugherty.

AMERICA'S HUMPER YEAR.

Washington, January 29. The imports for 1923 were 3,791 million dollars against 3,112 million in 1922, of which the imports from Europe were 1,157 million against 991 million. The exports totalled 4,167 million dollars against 3,831 million, of which exports to Europe were 2,093 million against 2,083 million the previous year.

MEXICAN CAMPAIGN NEWS.

Mexico City, January 29. The War Department report that Federal troops have taken Esplanada.

CAME FROM KOWLOON.

WOULD BE PIRATE
HEAVILY SENTENCED.

Wong Fook, alleged to be the leader of a gang of pirates at present in Singapore, who was arrested on January 15th as the consequence of a number of loaded revolvers and pistols being found cleverly concealed in different sections of the framework of two wooden tables and four stools, was produced before the Third Police Court in Singapore the following day when the case against him was transferred to the District Court.

Inspector King, Arms and Explosives Department, charged the accused before Mr. P. A. F. David with importing 21 revolvers or alternatively with possession of the weapons, and similar charges were preferred against the man in respect of 124 rounds of ammunition.

The accused pleaded guilty to the charges and said that he had come from Hongkong. He was born at Kowloon. Mr. Meredith asked for a postponement, remarking that the other members of the gang of which the accused was believed to be the leader, were probably in Singapore.

It is believed that the gang referred to probably intended to attack a steamer leaving Singapore for China. This is believed to have been the Indo-China Steam Navigation Co's s.s. Ho Sang.

On the resumption of the case on January 21st, the District Judge, in passing the maximum penalty on the accused, said that the case was one in which the full penalty should certainly be inflicted. On the first charge he would sentence the accused to two years rigorous imprisonment and 24 strokes of the cat, and on the second charge he would fine the accused \$1,000 or in default six months rigorous imprisonment, the terms to run consecutively.

A BAD CHARACTER.

RECOMMENDED FOR
BANISHMENT.

A Chinese named Chan Hok appeared before the Marine Magistrate, this morning, charged that, being a suspected person and a reputed thief, he was found on board the s.s. Tando on Tuesday with intent to commit a felony. He pleaded not guilty.

A Chinese constable said he saw the defendant on the s.s. Tando among the passengers who were leaving the ship. He saw defendant put his hand in the pockets of a passenger and ran away but was caught. Questioned as to what he was doing, he said he went on board as a coolie. Witness knew him and had arrested him before.

Defendant's story was that he went on board as a coolie to look for a job. He did not put his hand in anybody's pocket, nor did anything wrong.

The magistrate considered the case proved.

Defendant had been previously convicted and in 1916 was banished for life from the Straits Settlements. He was also banished from the Colony in 1916 to Swatow.

The magistrate sentenced him to three months imprisonment with hard labour and recommended that he be banished.

STAR THEATRE.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN.

A gentleman whose appearances are becoming only too rare, but who is assured of a tremendous welcome, is Mr. Charlie Chaplin. Hence the statement that he is booked in "The Pilgrim" for the Star, beginning to-morrow, makes cheerful reading.

Charlie remains Charlie. His style has never even been successfully imitated, and is still in a class of its own. That is all that need be said, for the public will see to it that he receives a good reception.

To-day's picture is "Don't Get Personal," with the saucy Miss Marie Prevost in the leading role.

The London Gazette announces that Lt.-Col. P. B. Stafford, O.B.E., of the East Surrey Regiment, has been placed on the half-pay list on account of ill-health.

A WORTHY CAUSE.

BENEVOLENT SOCIETY'S
WORK.

In moving the adoption of the report and accounts at yesterday's meeting of the Hongkong Benevolent Society, the Chairman (Mr. D. G. M. Bernard) said:—It is satisfactory to note that the funds of the Society are in a healthy condition, and that after transferring to fixed deposit \$500, the year ends with a credit balance at the Bank of \$1,003.17 as against \$712.43 the previous year. It is gratifying also to see that receipts for life membership have grown from \$250 in 1922 to \$900 in 1934, and I hope that those who have appreciated the good work done by the Society and become life members will not, for that reason, reduce their subscriptions in future. Although the financial result for last year was satisfactory, I wish to point out that the Society is dependent upon the generosity of the public, and I trust that those who recognise that charity has a call upon them will subscribe liberally. The Society has an important function to fill in the Colony and in subscribing to it we can rest assured that the money will be spent to good purpose. Every case coming before the Committee is carefully investigated, and the Committee do their best to render aid only in cases where there is real and genuine distress. Clothes, I may say, are always welcome, and any gifts of this nature are gratefully received. Before proposing the adoption of the report and accounts, I would like to correct an omission I observe in the report. Perhaps it is because Mrs. McKenny wrote it. It is this. The Committee thank Mrs. Hickling for her assistance in the past, but there is no mention of the present Hon. Secretary, Mrs. McKenny, nor yet of the Hon. Treasurer, Mrs. Elliot. Those of you who are connected with the Society are well aware of the difficult and large amount of work that devolves upon the Secretary and Treasurer, especially the former, and the painstaking and able manner in which it has been carried out. I think, therefore, that I will have the full support of the meeting in thanking them also for their services.

CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. MATCHES.

The following team will represent the H.K.C.C. 1st XI in a friendly against the I.R.C. at Soekunpoo on Saturday.—T. E. Pearce (capt.), A. L. Gace, E. J. R. Mitchell, H. Owen Hughes, R. E. A. Webster, E. G. Lammert, G. R. More, A. V. T. Dean, Rev. T. B. Powell, H. E. Hollands and L. D. McNicoll.

The H.K.C.C. 2nd XI will meet the Navy in a League game on H.K.C.C. ground and will be represented by—E. G. Hagen (capt.), C. Blaker, G. H. Piercy, H. H. Day, C. R. Baron, C. V. Mark, H. Griffin, D. E. G. Nicholson, P. Jacks, R. M. Macalpine and J. A. H. Plummer.

UNIVERSITY PAST v.
PRESENT.

The annual whole day match between the above teams will take place on University ground on Wednesday, 6th prox. at 10.30 a.m. The following will represent The Past team:—Hon. Sir Claude Severn (Captain), Ng Sze Kwong, A. H. Rumjahn, C. Choa, Rev. E. K. Quick, Yew Man Tsun, A. J. Kew, Wm. Hall, J. M. Jack, Wm. Gittins and H. C. Hunt.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

H. E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, accompanied by Capt. H. Neville A. D. C., will leave Hongkong in the President Jackson on Friday, Feb. 1st, for Manila, where they will be the guests of Governor General Leonard Wood until the 10th of February, when they intend to return by the President Taft, arriving in Hongkong on Feb. 11th.

On Monday night H. E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs entertained the following to dinner at Government House:—Engineer Capt. and Mrs. Bromwich, Lt. Colonel and Mrs. Bird, Mr. and Mrs. Hollingsworth, Mr. Swire, Paymaster Commander and Mrs. Padwick, Commander Ingham, Mr. and Mrs. Edkins, Mr. and Mrs. Lindell, Mr. Wade, Mr. Fergusson, Mrs. Turner, and Mr. and Mrs. Franks.

On Tuesday afternoon Lady Stubbs gave a small children's party. About fifty children, between the ages of two and four years, were invited.

THE BOOKSHELF.

A FAMOUS BEAUTY OF
OLDEN-DAY CHINA.

There is much in the ancient literature of China, whether poetry or legend, or biography or history, which repays research, and we of the present day have to thank the students of Chinese classics for the elegant translations that make their appearance from time to time. Special interest, however, attaches to the story of "Yang Kuei-fei, the most famous beauty of China," which has been written by Shu-ching (Mrs. Wu Lien-teh). It reaches us from the publishers, the Commercial Press, Ltd., of Shanghai. Mrs. Wu Lien-teh is the gifted wife of the famous specialist on pneumonic plague, and a sister of the late Mrs. Lim Boon-keng (who also married a distinguished man, now president of Amoy University) and to whose memory the book is dedicated.

In a preface the author—who is the first Chinese lady to write a book of this nature—gives us a historical explanation of the subject. The four famous beauties of China whose biographies have been handed down from ancient times were respectively the most beautiful, the most virtuous, the most patriotic, and the most ardent. The last designated was Yang Kuei-fei, possibly the most famous of the four, and Mrs. Wu Lien-teh's narrative shows that she possessed all the arts of an accomplished, ambitious woman who had no scruples as to how she attained her ends. She lived in the time of the Tang dynasty (A. D. 618 to 905) and for more than twenty years was undisputed mistress of the imperial court. Her dominance over the Emperor Hsuan Tsung (or Ming Huang) leading eventually to the ruin of his realm and her own tragic end, forms one of the most remarkable stories in the annals of the world's empires. In a pleasing, free style the author deals with this beauty's rise to power (alas! in unscrupulous enough fashion), her intrigues, her temporary eclipse, her plots in league with her young Tartar lover, and the retribution which Fate ordained should close her notable career.

The whole book is a neat and attractive contribution to the literature of the East, and its value is enhanced by a series of coloured drawings depicting scenes in the tale, the artistic work of Mr. Wu Shih-yang. The story is one dealing mostly with unscrupulous passion, and the beautiful subject of the narrative was naturally the inspiration of the most famous poet of the period. This man, Li Po, was one day summoned to the court to compose some verses specially in honour of the petted Yang Kuei-fei. Having been duly revived after a wine bout, the noted poet dashed off some of his finest lines, of which the following (translated by W. J. B. Fletcher) is an extract:—

"Upon the clouds I gaze and see thy vesture floating fair,
Upon the flowers I gaze and lo! thy cheek is kindling there.
The zephyr brushing through the steep thy footfall seems to be."

"The dew, so like thy freshness, brings the sense of loss to me."

Our broken fates no hope attends. But if on earth we meet no more,

Await me on that fairy shore behind whose clouds the moon ascends!"

The theme of the story is Romance, vivid and instructive, and an insight into the times with which the scenes are laid. It has enabled Mrs. Wu Lien-teh to produce a book that should form a very welcome gift to friends, or a treasured addition to one's own library on Cathay.

There is a brief foreword by Dr. J. C. Ferguson, in which he suggests the narrative "will furnish ample material for playwrights in search of new plots." It is already a classic of the Chinese stage. The book is tastefully printed on thick paper, and is published at 43.

V. H. C. J.

ANCIENT CHINESE CURIOS.

Doctor George Crofts, of Tientsin, recently arrived at Vancouver (B.C.) en route for England, where he will present valuable additions to the collection of Chinese antiquities in the British Museum, including many examples of Chinese pottery and sculpture, dating back to 3,000 B.C. Doctor Crofts was the donor of a collection of Chinese antiquities to the University of Toronto, which is said to be the finest one of its kind in the world.

ST. JOHN'S
CATHEDRAL.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Yesterday evening the annual meeting of the St. John's Cathedral was largely attended in the Cathedral Hall. Previous to the business part of the programme there was a reception in the Hall, and this was followed by a very enjoyable musical programme, and a humorous item by the Rev. G. E. Arrow-smith.

The Bishop took the chair at the meeting, and also present were: Sir Claude Severn, Sir Wm. Rees Davies, and the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock.

The Bishop's Speech.

The Bishop, in opening the meeting, said he thought it would be a real strength if each year a social gathering could be held before the annual meeting. He asked those present to make a special note of two dates: Monday, March 10th when the Church of England Diocesan Conference began in Hongkong. In the afternoon of that day there would be an open session when Bishop Molony would speak, and he hoped as many as possible would attend. March 14th was the date of the Victoria Diocesan Association Reception at the City Hall to meet Bishop Graves of Shanghai, and Bishop Norris of Peking. The General Synod was to hold its triennial meeting this year in Canton from March 16 to 22. There would be fifteen or so Bishops attending the Synod and as it was the first time they were meeting in the South he was wishing that it should be a great success.

In the name of the Church Body he welcomed three new workers who had just joined their ranks. These were Mr. Mason, the organist, the Rev. T. B. Powell, the assistant Chaplain and the Rev. Peel. The Bishop went on to speak of the great work these three had come to do, particularly the first named, who would have to fulfill a responsible and important post, that of organist. He asked for a backing for all these men in their work.

Expenditure.

The hon. secretary, Mr. A. Dyer Ball read the minutes, and Mr. Hogg, the Hon. treasurer, then presented the accounts, and said the Cathedral accounts for the year gave little cause for congratulation. Not only had the debit balance increased by \$3,600 but there was an excess expenditure over 1932 of \$7,500. This was accounted for, approximately, by \$2,200 under the heading of salaries and allowances. The cost of upkeep of the Cathedral had increased by 800 and there was a new item in connection with the Chaplain's house, totalling \$3,300. There was also an increase of \$1,600 in the amount given away under the heading "special collections," but against these items appeared for the first time for two years interest on credit balances at the bank. This was collected on the donation for the Chaplain's house.

In facing 1934, continued Mr. Hogg, they might, by exercising economy, be able to make ends meet. The question of special collections was one which would have to receive the attention of the incoming Church Body. It was a matter for regret that donations from the foreign community for Church expenses could not be moved higher than the present level of \$2,000. The Church Body intended financing the present deficit by bringing on to the books the debentures in the Prince's Building and the Land Company. In a few months there would be a sum of \$10,000 placed to their credit.

Arising out of the report, Sir Claude Severn spoke of the Charter Endowment, and suggested that this should be brought out to Hongkong. Here it would bring in about another \$35,000 a year.

Mr. Hogg replying, said this fund was not in the hands of the Church Body but in the hands of the trustees of the fund. He had written to them suggesting that the fund be brought out to Hongkong.

The Deficit.

The Bishop said he hoped the deficit of \$9,500 would be wiped off in some way. He was not keen on these deficits going forward from year to year. He noticed that there were only 110 subscribers last year and he wondered if all the possibilities in this direction had been exhausted. He also thought that if the congregation could be informed

some one or two months before the end of the year the position they were likely to be in at the end, some kind of a rally might be made. Somebody had said to him, "Why could not women's services be used? He did not know if the time had come for a women's advisory council to be formed. He wondered if it were possible for the women members to help them during the year in financial matters."

Sir Claude Severn mentioned that he started the Assistant Clergyman's fund to provide an assistant clergyman for three years, but while he was away in England the scheme had been altered. He suggested that the fund might be closed.

The Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock mentioned that they had to face another big expenditure during the coming year. This was in connection with the doing up of the outside of the Cathedral. It would cost about \$10,000.

The accounts were adopted. Elections.

Before the election of the lay members of the Church Body the Bishop paid a warm tribute to the work they had done in the last year and referred particularly to the work of the secretary Mr. A. Dyer Ball. The lay members for the ensuing year were then elected as follows:—Sir Claude Severn, Mr. Owen Hughes, Mr. W. L. Pattenden, Mr. Airey, Mr. H. L. Dowbiggin and Mr. J. Wittehall.

Mr. J. B. Ross was again elected auditor. The Rev. Copley Moyle, in making his report said the work in the Sunday school at the Peak was reopened in January, and the scholars attended throughout the summer. The Cathedral Sunday school was held in the church hall, but was closed during the summer. The C.E.M.S. had shown renewed vigour, and on one occasion the Rev. Kirk Macdonachie and members of his congregation attended, and an interesting discussion took place on the subject of "Reunion."

There had been many changes in the staff of the Cathedral, and Mr. C. H. Dodson had been appointed vergier. They hoped to retain his services for many years. After 15 years service Mr. Denman Fuller relinquished his post as organist in April, and the Church body had decided to commemorate his services by erecting a brass plate in the Cathedral. He had left for England, and they wished him a prosperous voyage, and that his health would be restored. Mr. Temple Ecton, who temporarily took Mr. Fuller's place, threw his accustomed energy into the work. Mr. Mason had now arrived and they wished him every success. Mr. J. T. Holman ceased to act as assistant chaplain in the beginning of May, and they were grateful for the three years he spent amongst them. Since the Military parade, services had been discontinued. The troops had attended the morning service, and they were fortunate in having the services of the Rev. R. J. Northcote, the Army Chaplain, as a constant preacher.

In Conclusion. He desired to thank all clergy for their help in the Cathedral services and all those, too numerous to mention individually, who had given of their time and their labour for the work of the Church. The hon. sec. of the Cathedral, Mr. A. Dyer Ball, had had an unusual amount of work and to him and to Mr. G. Hogg the treasurer they were all most grateful.

It was decided to cable God Speed to Mr. Denman Fuller at Singapore.

The following were elected as delegates to the Diocesan Conference which is being held here in March:—Dr. Saunders, the Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, Mrs. Pollock, Mr. W. Jackson and Mrs. Kemp.

A vote of thanks was passed to the ladies responsible for the tea and to all who took part in the musical items.

NO WOMAN CAN
AFFORD

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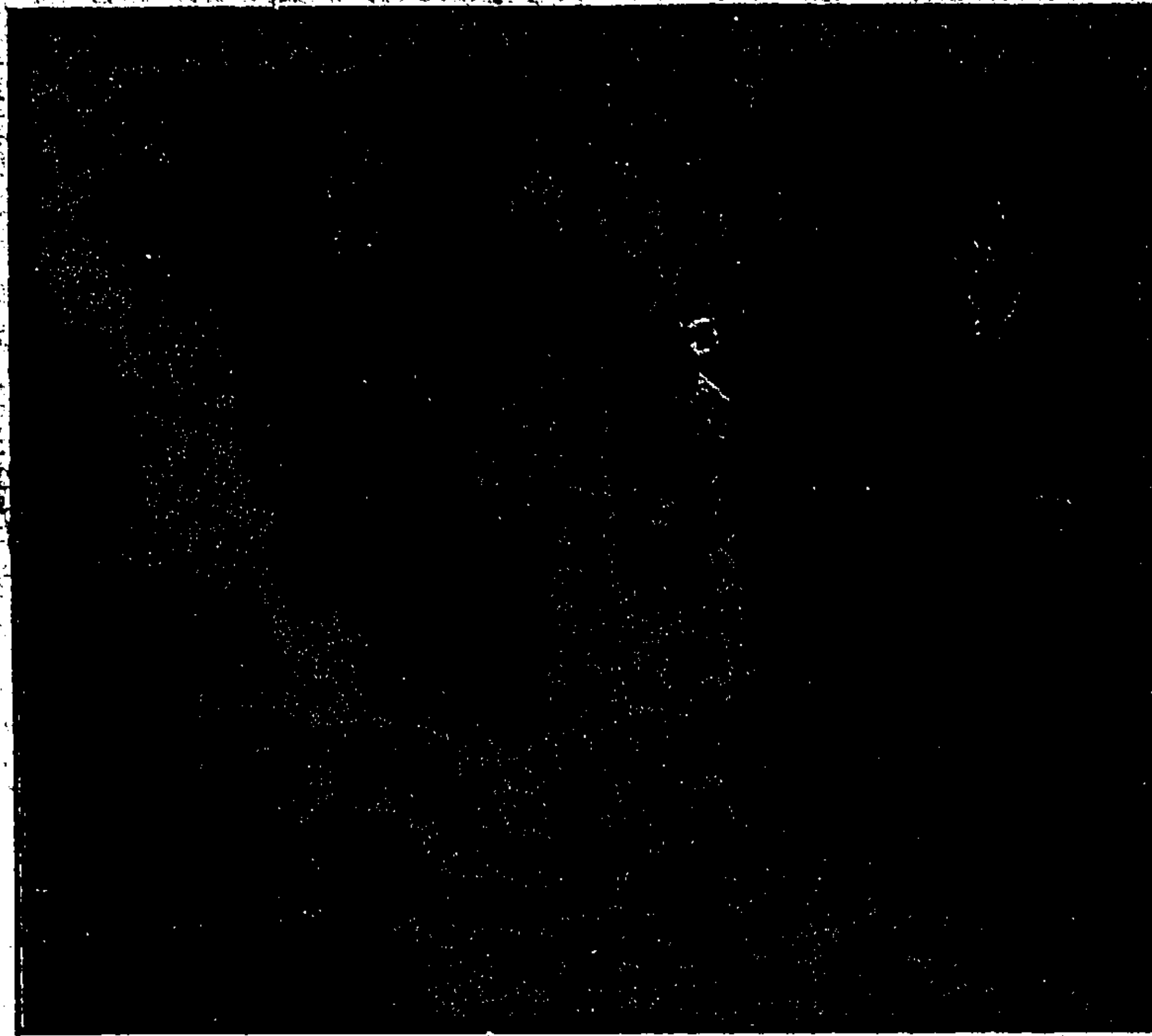
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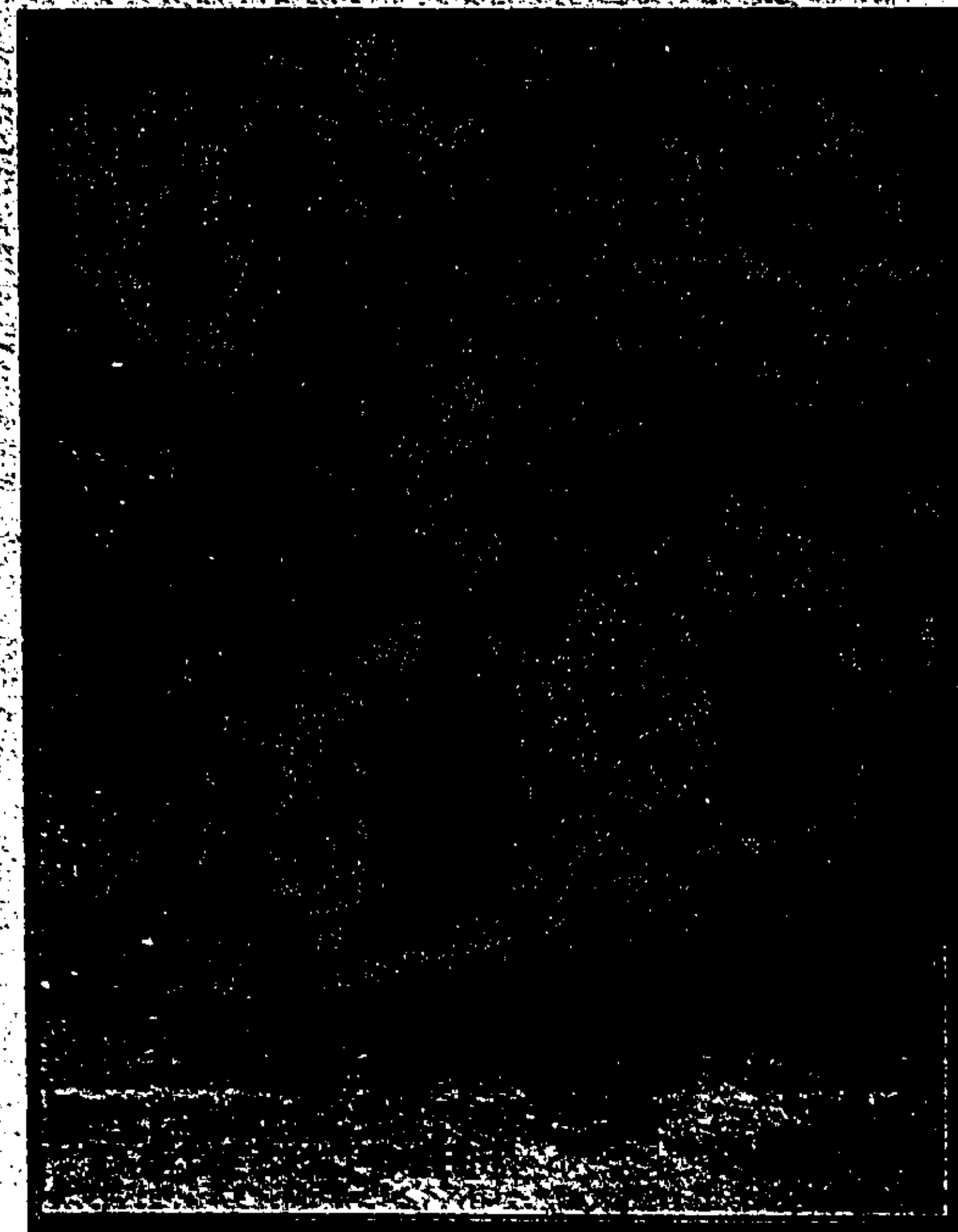
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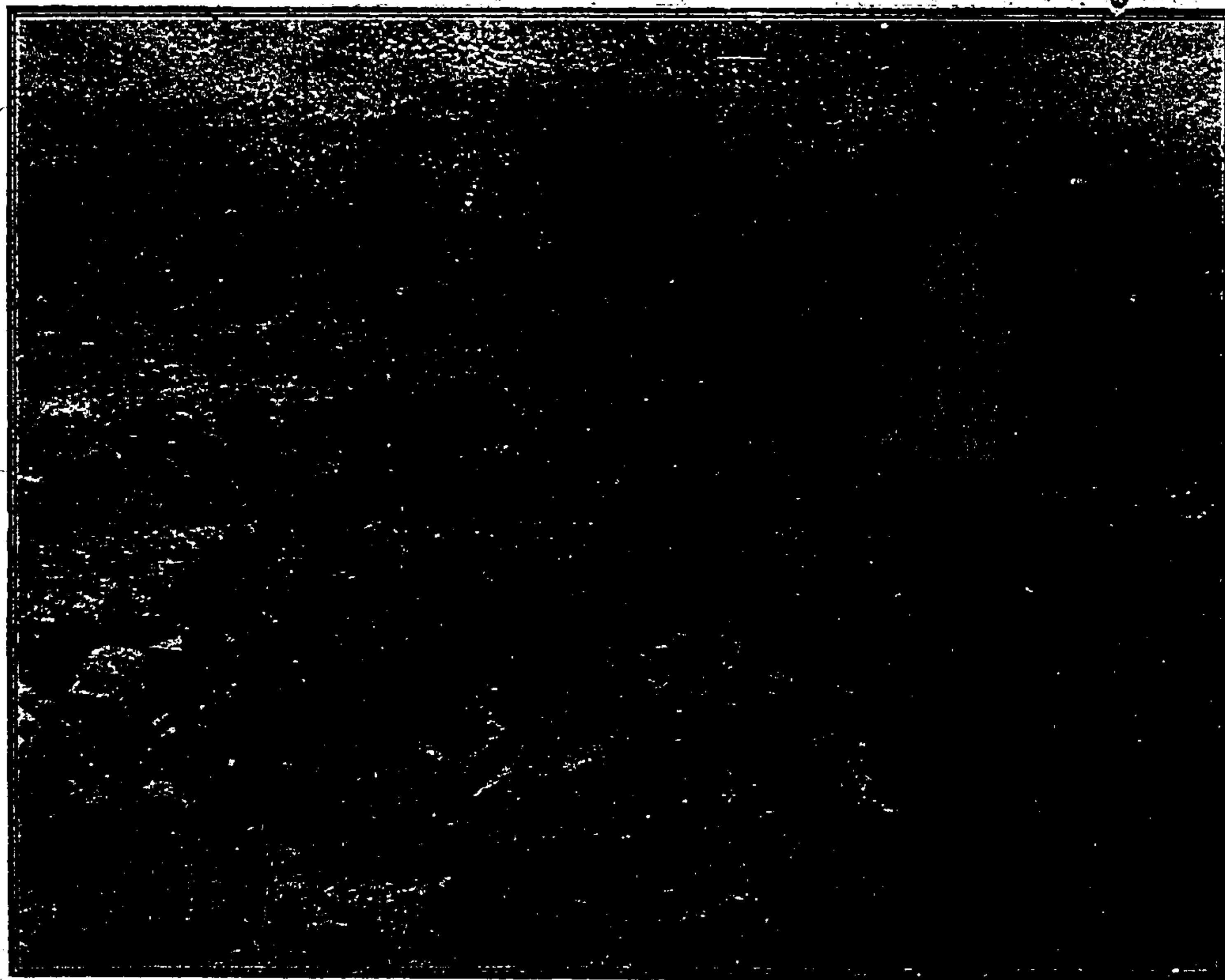
CAMERA NEWS.



Dr. Schurman, American Minister to China (centre) after performing the ceremony of laying the corner-stone of the new American Club building on Foochow Road, Shanghai. From left to right are Mr. E. C. Stocker, Vice President of the Club, Judge Charles S. Lobingier, Dr. Schurman, Dr. W. T. Findley and Consul-General Cunningham. Dr. Schurman holds in his hand the silver trowel with which he laid the corner-stone.



This youngster is not going to school, but is actually an experienced shoe hawker in Shanghai. He spends his time frequenting places where coolies congregate so that he can sell his wares at six or seven coppers a pair.



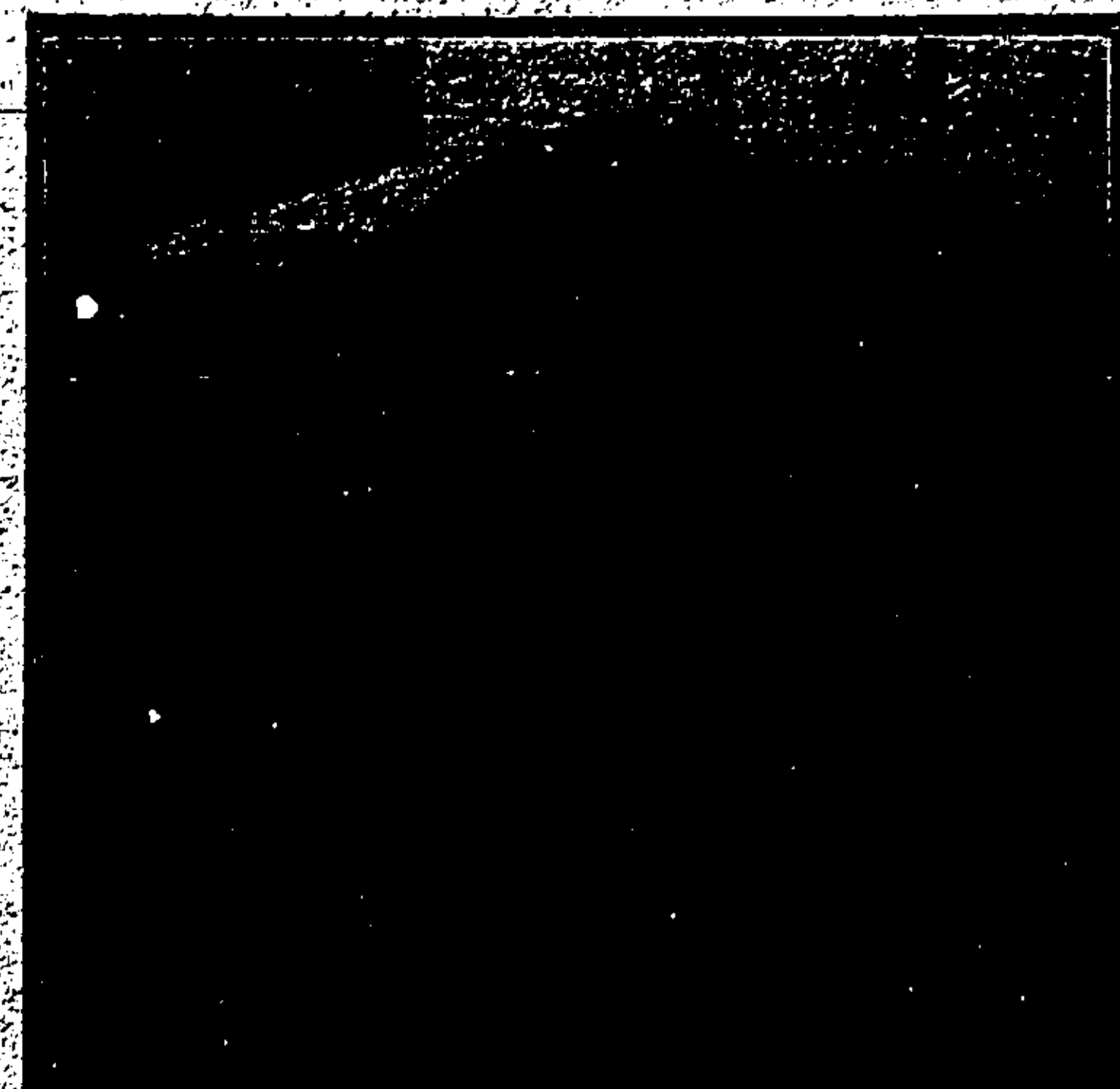
Scene of the recent disastrous fire in Chinese territory between North Szechuen Road and Dixwell Road Extension, Shanghai. The area was covered with a mass of mud and bamboo huts occupied by the poorest coolies and pedlars, and has long constituted a fire menace.



"Miss Pittsburg," otherwise Miss Mayme J. Connelly, selected from among 400 girls represent the "Workshop of the World" in the national beauty contest to be held in New York.



The Shanghai Customs Authorities held one of their quarterly disposals of drugs seized during the last three months. Somewhere about \$1,000,000 worth of opium, morphia, cocaine, and paraphernalia were stuffed into the capacious furnaces and burnt.



This picture shows the furnace at Footing where confiscated opium was destroyed.

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New capital issues in Great Britain in 1923 amounted to £203,750,000, compared with £235,500,000 in the previous year. The geographical distribution for the 1923 issues, excluding British Government loans raised directly for national purposes, shows the amount for Great Britain as £25,500,000, British possessions £62,250,000 and foreign countries £115,000,000.

CONQUERING THE WINDS.
An air motor designed to move a boat or vehicle directly against the wind has been invented by Charles R. Ford of Washington. It consists of a series of fans or windmills mounted on the same shaft and inclosed in a cylinder. Between the fans are stationary pieces of metal that Ford calls "air straighteners." These, the inventor declares, distribute the currents passing through the housing that each fan generates the same amount of power.

RADIO NOTES AND NEWS.

The Increasing Utility of Wireless.

There are comparatively few racecourses for motor-car or cycle races in the world. For this kind of sport the main roads are used as a general rule. A special racecourse for cars has, however, been built at Grunewald, near Berlin, consisting of two parallel courses connected by great curves at both ends. These courses are made of concrete, and the outside border of each is on a higher level than the inner one. The construction has been chosen in order to eliminate skidding, perhaps with dangerous consequences. Both very broad strips of concrete are separated from each other by an equally broad strip of lawn, which further serves for collecting and draining the rainwater. On both sides of this long track stands are erected where thousands of spectators observe the races with the greatest interest. At distances of several kilometres information tables have been installed which tell the spectators what happens on the course. These tables consist of large iron frames on which smaller tables can be fastened. The smaller tables give the names of the manufacturer of the car, the drivers, the number of laps, the times, etc.

Now, it is of great value to give these times over the whole extent of the course as quickly as possible, and in such a way as to enable each spectator to know always what is going on at other parts of the course, and especially the places of the competing motors, their chances, etc. It is clear that this can be done in no better way than by radio, and therefore during recent races a wireless trial service has been installed which it is to be hoped will soon be made permanent.

On the umpire's stand, where times are stated and noted, a transmitter and an antenna broadcast the results by radio-telephony. These results were taken up by receivers installed in small cabins beneath the information tables. A special system of telephony was chosen to enable the officials working in the cabins to receive and to transmit time and observations from and to the umpire's stand. The official receiving the results wrote them down on single slips of paper, and the man standing on the roof of the cabin made the necessary arrangements on the information table.

As for the apparatus used, the racing course being situated far from any electric supply, it was necessary to produce the current by a special arrangement. This consisted of a small gasoline motor connected with a small Lorenz charging machine, designed to convert alternating, three-phase, and also continuous currents of the usual voltages into continuous currents of lower voltage for charging accumulators, and generally, also, as motor for driving high-tension generators. In designing this machine a universal one has been created that can be used first as motor generator for producing the currents required by valve transmitters, and secondly for charging the accumulators necessary for filament current, etc. In the case of the racing installation an alternating current of 500 cycles was transformed into continuous current of 600 volts. The filament current was taken from a storage battery, and had a pressure of 12 volts.

As to the station itself, it is constructed on the principle of combining in as small a space as possible both transmitting and receiving apparatus for wireless telegraphy and telephony. The apparatus may be employed both as a fixed and a portable station. This station is fitted in a wooden box, which is 14.80 inches high, 11.02 inches broad, and 8.66 inches deep. The whole apparatus weighs 19.8 lb. The apparatus is fitted for transmitting and receiving, each with one definite wave within a range of from 200 to 1,000 m. Any wave-length may be chosen within this range for transmitting, as well as for receiving.

For this apparatus serials should be used with a capacity of about 400 to 800 cm. If medium serials are used, the range of the apparatus amounts to 200 kilometres for telegraphy and up to 60 kilometres for telephony, provided that a 10 or a 20-watt transmitting valve is used.

All the handles for operating the instruments and connections

are constructed on the front of the apparatus.

"REFLEX" RECEPTION.
Germany may be credited with the original idea; but the war's intervention left it for an American to develop into what is considered one of the most important principles in the construction of modern radio receiving sets.

The American is William H. Priess and the principle is that of "reflex" in radio reception, a name given by Priess himself. It is the method of reception by which one tube can be made to do the work of two or three in amplification.

More than ten years ago German scientists had been working on this system of reception. But very little was heard of it because radio then was not popular. During the war, when it was essential to combat radio activity, Priess was put on the job. An important series of experiments resulted in his discovery of the system which he called "reflex."

Not only in its power but in its economy does Priess see the advantages of "reflex." He says: "Reflex" has advantages that are of tremendous value to broadcast users, due to the economy in tubes that result in the correct application of its principle. The detector tube may be replaced by any type rectifier—for example, crystal—and the amplifier tubes may be made to do double or triple duty as amplifiers. The crystal used in this manner is a perfect means of changing radio currents to audio and is always better than a tube detector.

From the time peace was declared in 1918, Priess devoted his entire energy to the development of reflex. It is his belief reflex has not been approached by any set employing the same number of tubes for the two characteristics of radio telephone reception; namely, sensitivity and distance.

NOTHING OMITTED.
Every conceivable form of education and entertainment can be enjoyed from listening on a radio receiving set. A review of programmes planned by some of the larger broadcasting stations confirms this.

In a recent week these are some of the subjects covered by one broadcasting station out of the New York district:
New York Philharmonic concert, special religious "Chanukah Service" celebrating a Jewish holiday, travel lectures, a talk by William Jennings Bryan, quartet, duet and solo music, business talks, children's stories, readings, joint recitals, farm, market and stock reports daily, sports events, fashion talks, time signals and weather forecasts daily, humor, current events, book review, tea music at 4.30, dance music, church services and Bible classes every Sunday.

That is not all. Every now and then a station announces the broadcasting of an entire play by its actors. Everything but the action goes over, and even that is explained sufficiently to make the production a success.

Now efforts are being made further to develop radio, even to broadcasting movies. And a few years more may see the broadcasting of action itself, so that listeners may not only hear, but see an entire production while sitting at their radio sets at home.

PARLIAMENTARY DEBATES BY RADIO.

A private Bill, tabled by M. Lafagette, Deputy for the Ariège Department, contains a somewhat curious proposal says a Paris message. M. Lafagette considers that, as the sitting of the Chamber ought to be public, present methods of publicity should be increased by the use of wireless, the whole of the proceedings being broadcast. He adds that this should put an end to private conversations in the Chamber and to a lack of attention, and should also have a restraining influence when deputies are tempted to allow the discussions to degenerate into noisy recriminations.

OPENING OF LETTERS.

The practice of the Post Office opening letters in cases where persons are suspected of crime, as happened in the drug case recently before the Court, is questioned. An official of the Post Office states that in no case are letters opened or otherwise tampered with by the Post Office without a specific order from the Home Secretary. Action is only taken after careful inquiry.

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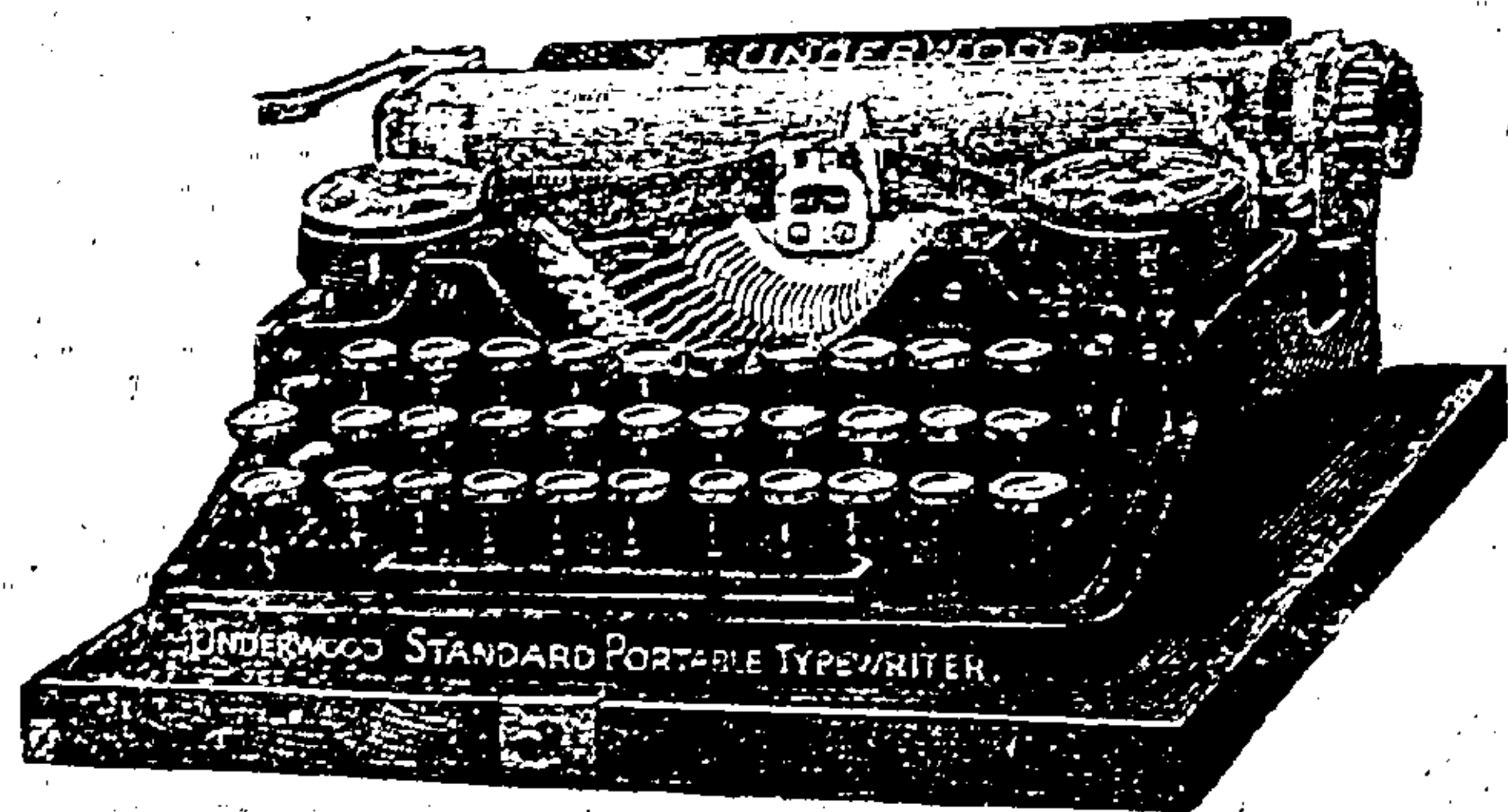
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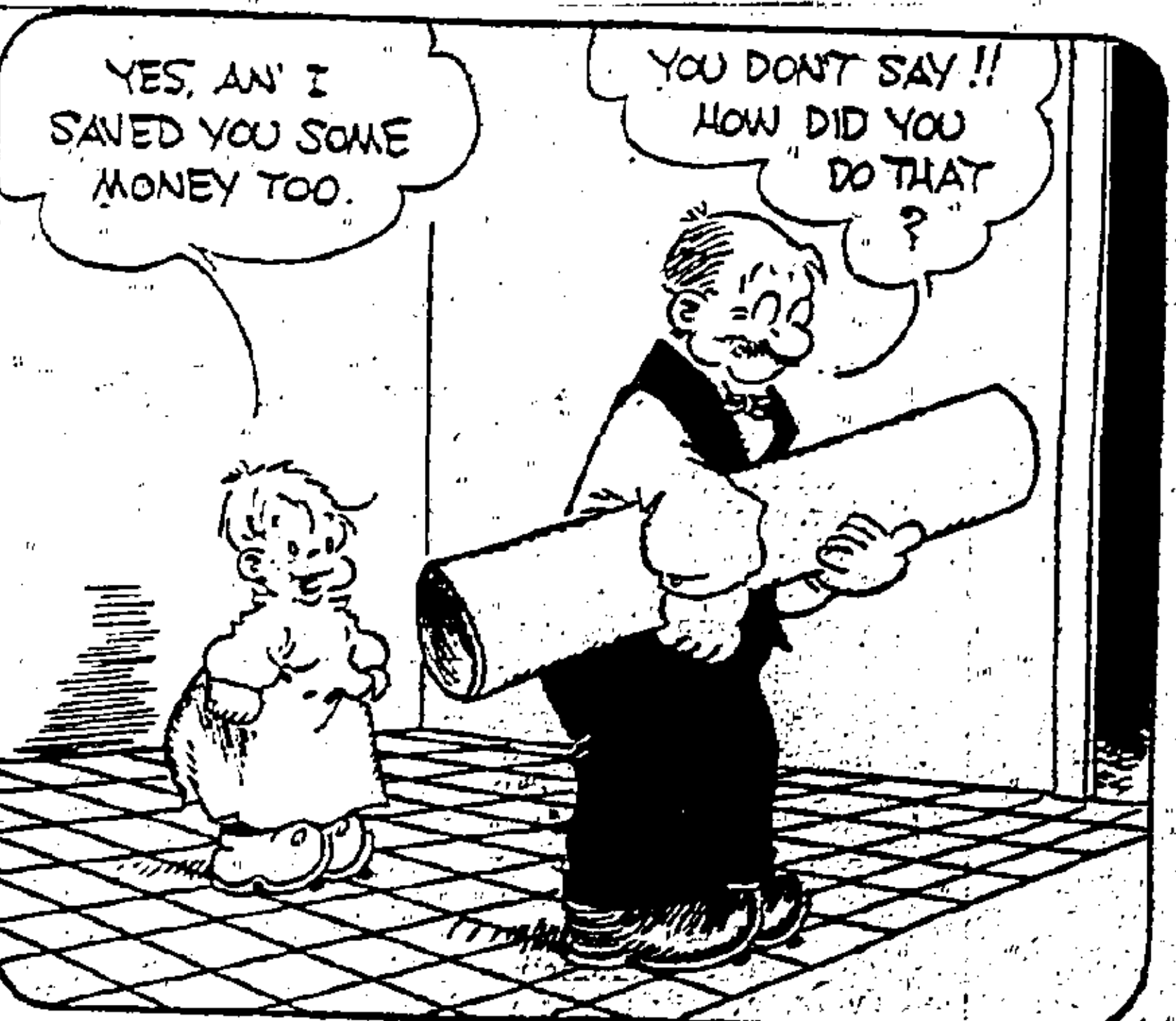
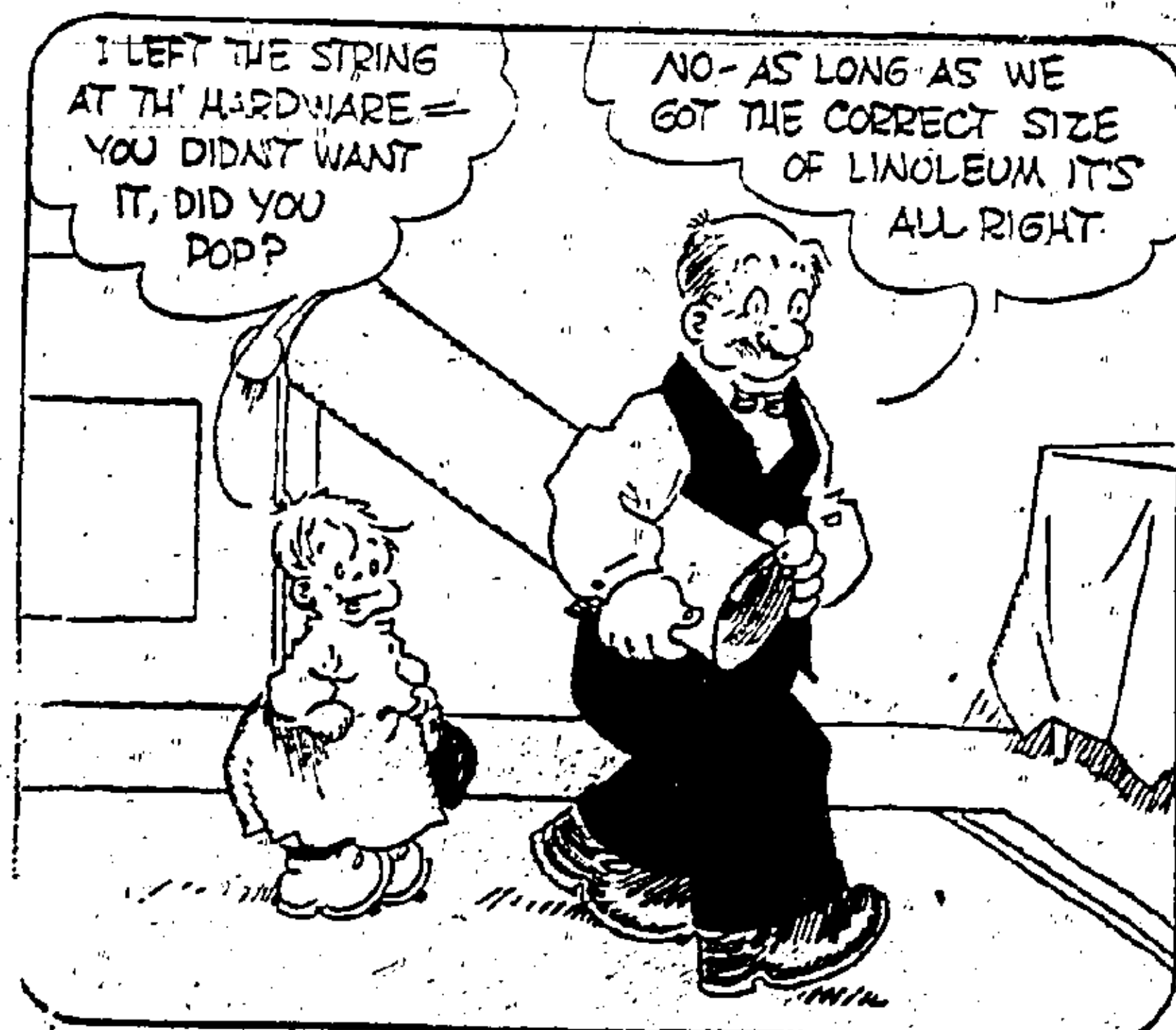
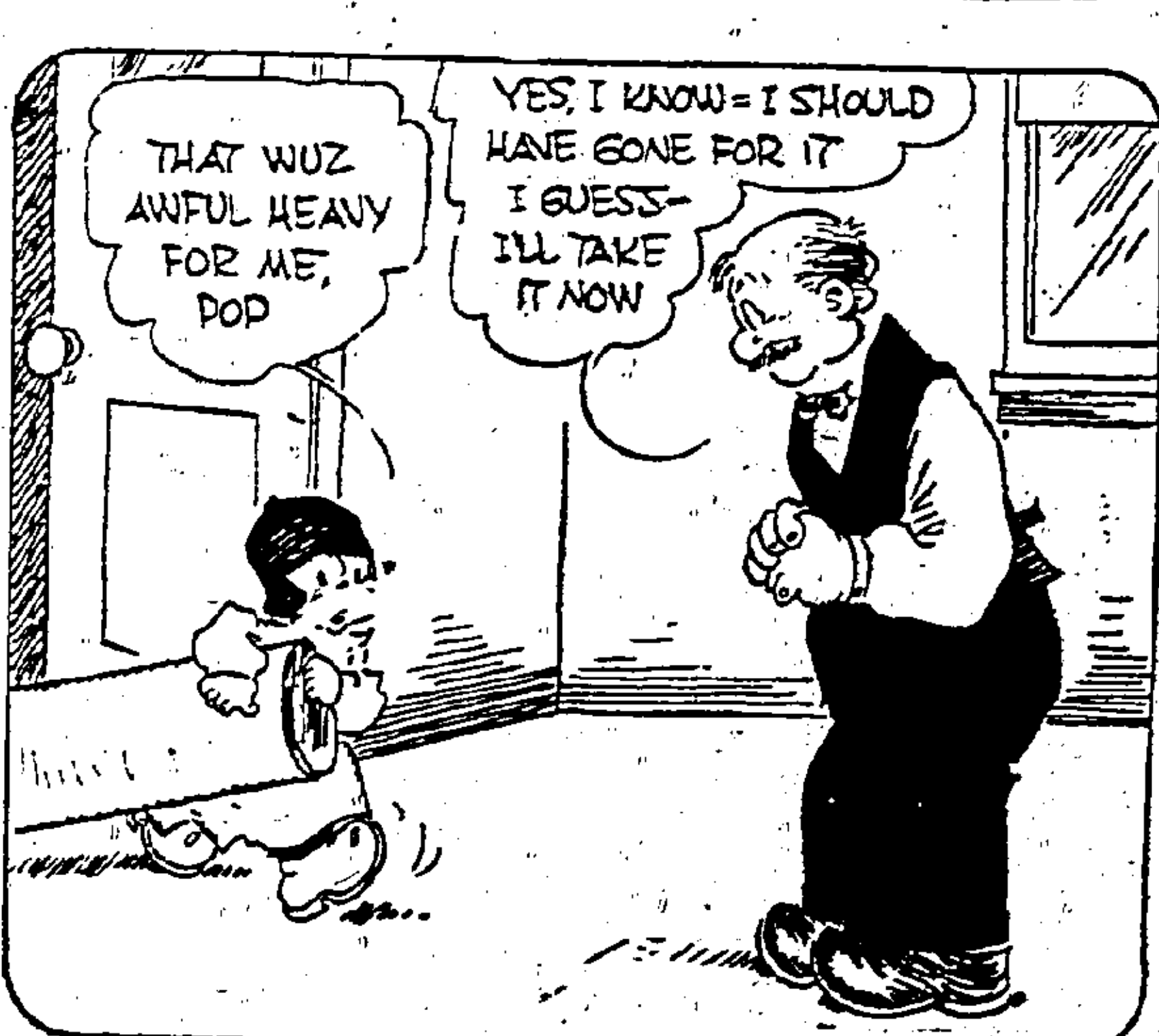
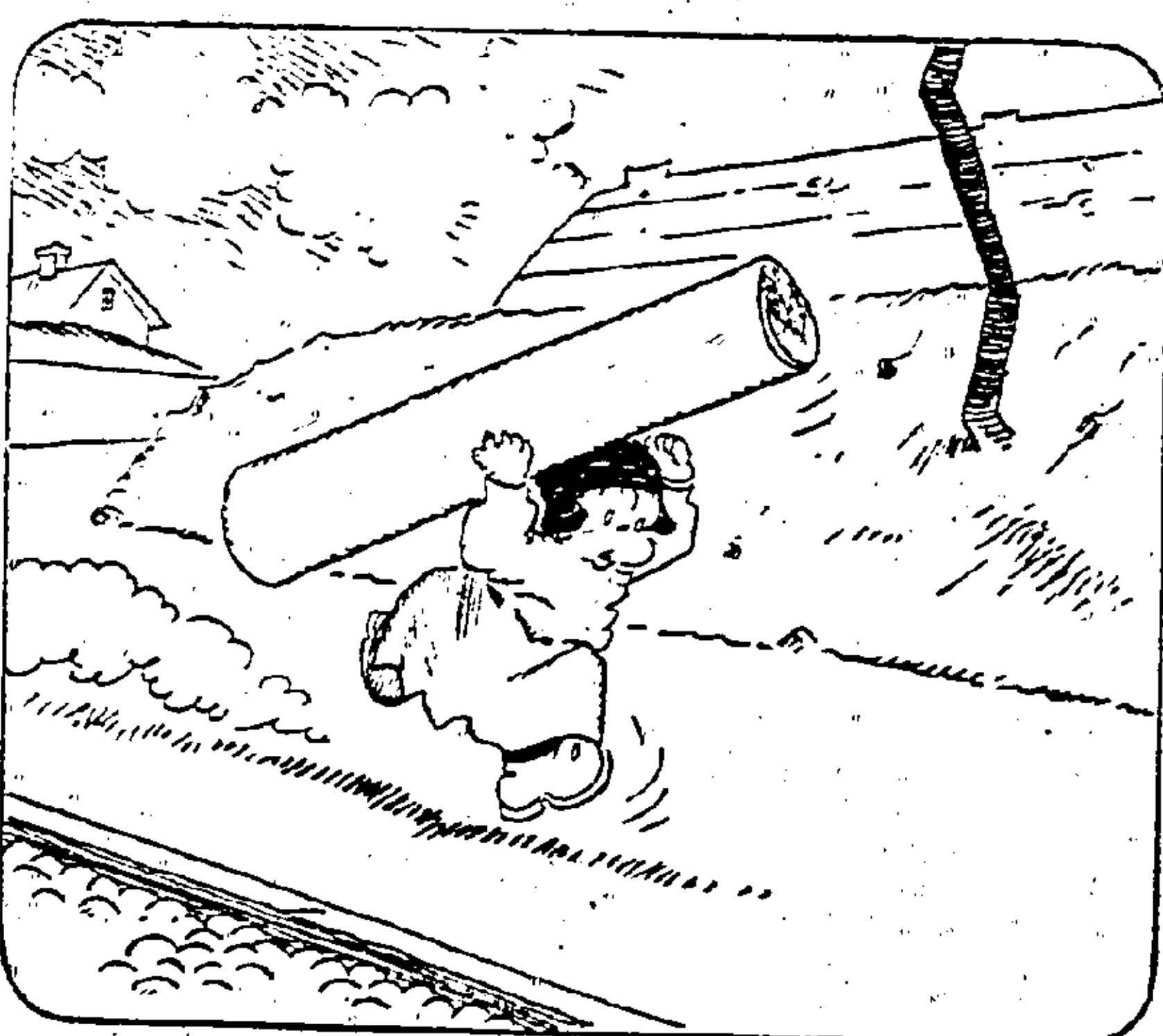
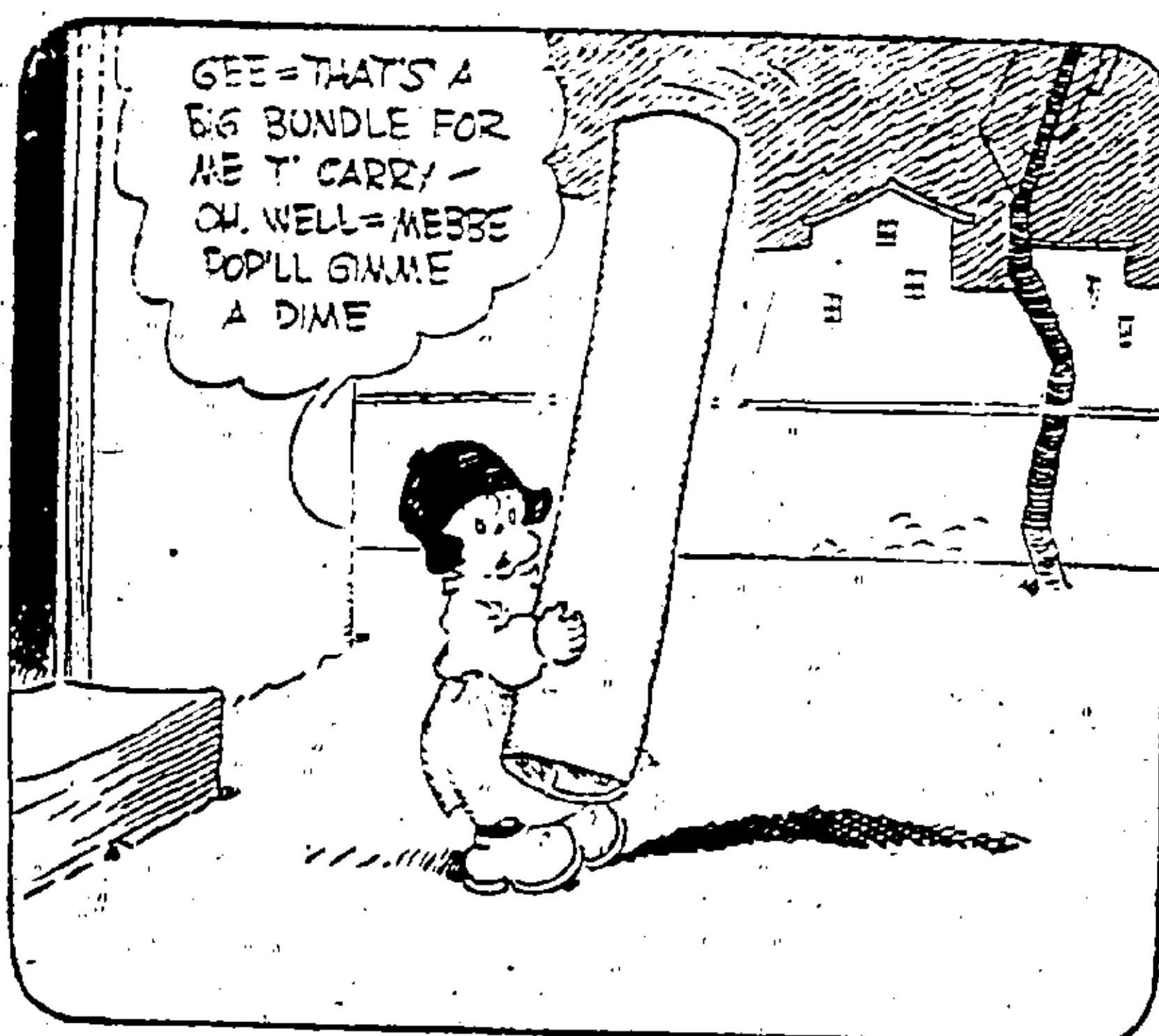
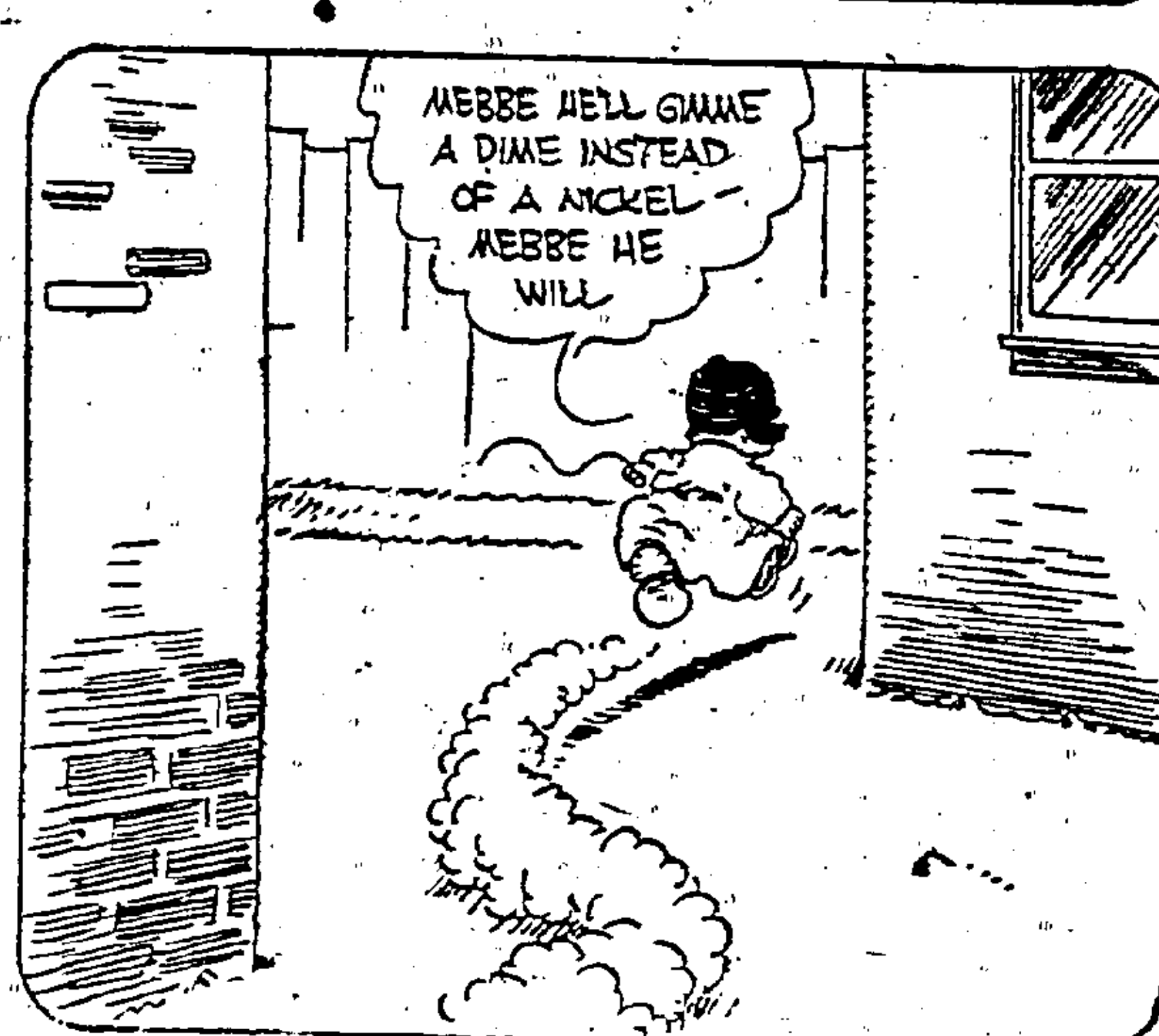
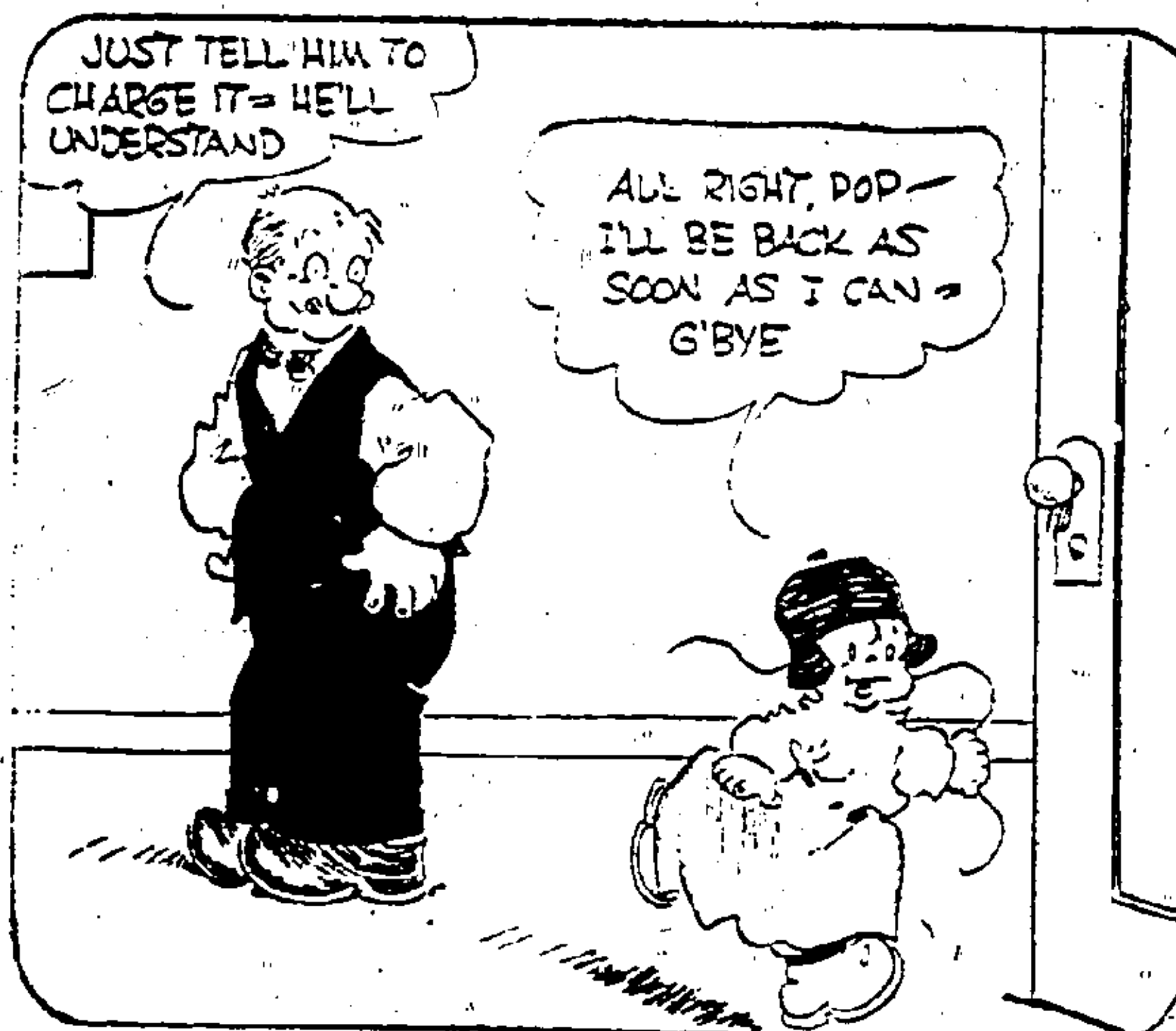
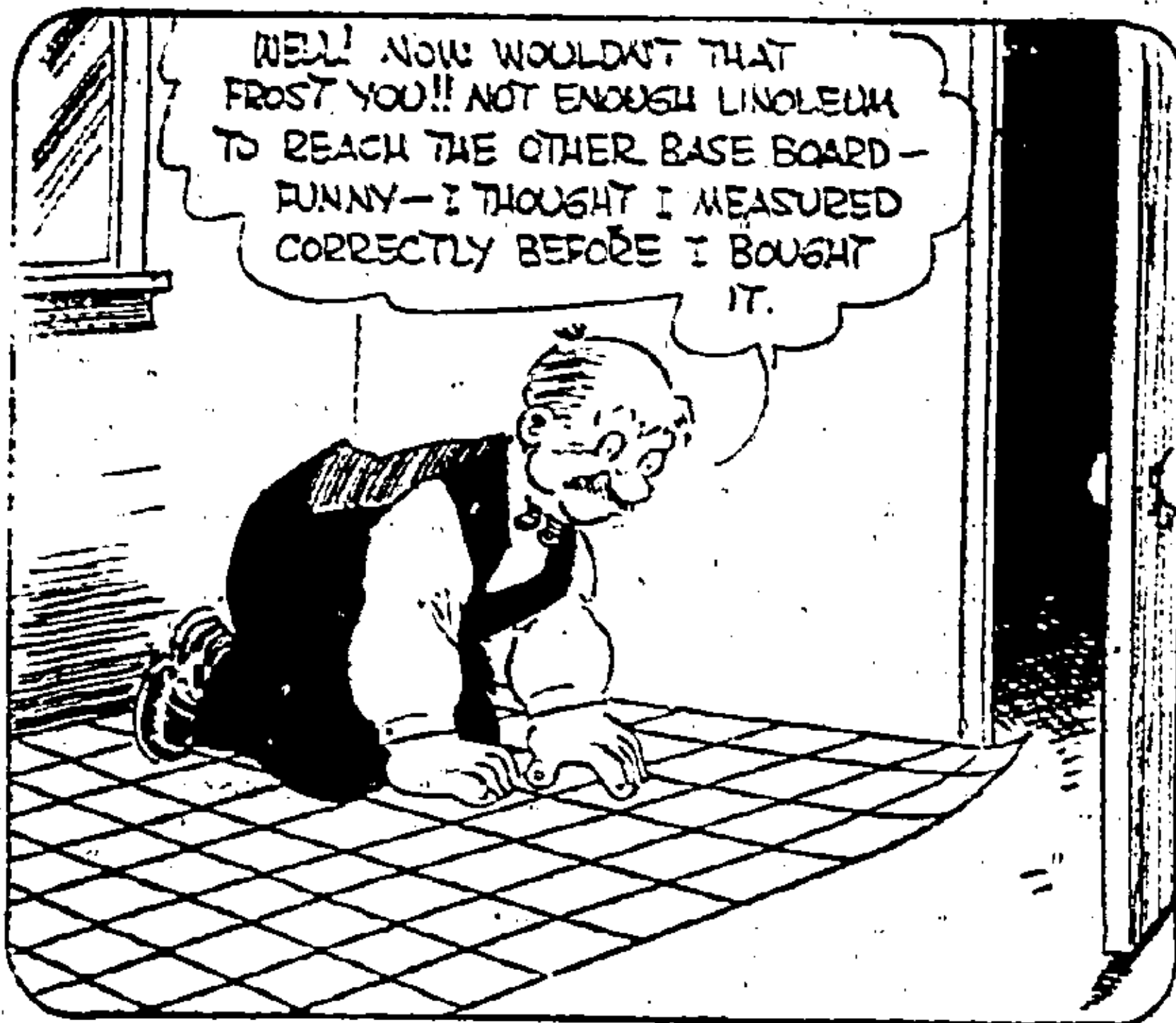
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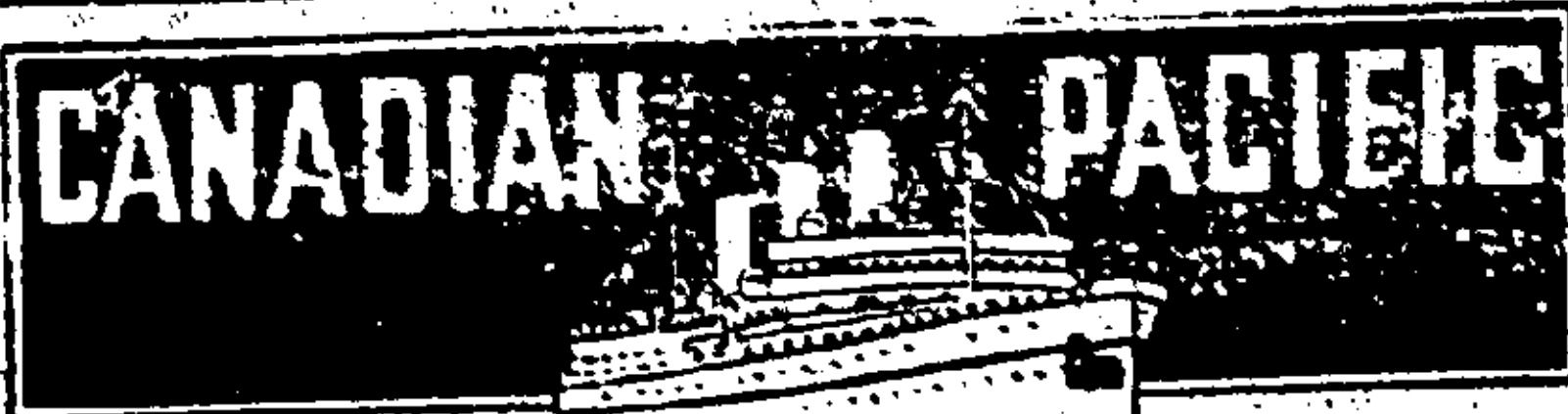
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CONSIGNEES

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

ELLERMAN LINE

From UNITED KINGDOM & CONTINENT

The Steamship
"CITY OF GLASGOW"
having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns and/or extra-hazardous Godowns of Holt's Wharf, whence delivery may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after 1st Feb. 1924 will be subject to rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Under- signed on or before 8th Feb. 1924, or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on any Tuesdays or Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage period of one week. No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be counter-

signed by

THE BANK LINE LTD.

General Agents.

Hongkong, 28th Jan. 1924.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

The Steamship,

"ANNA"

From Trieste, Venice, Brindisi, Spalato, Massau, Port Said, Aden, Colombo, Penang & Singapore.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Ltd., at Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary be given before 27th inst.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 3rd prox. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the undersigned on or before the 13th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, & damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 2nd prox. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.

Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bill of Lading will be counter-

signed by

DODWELL & Co., Ltd.

Agents.

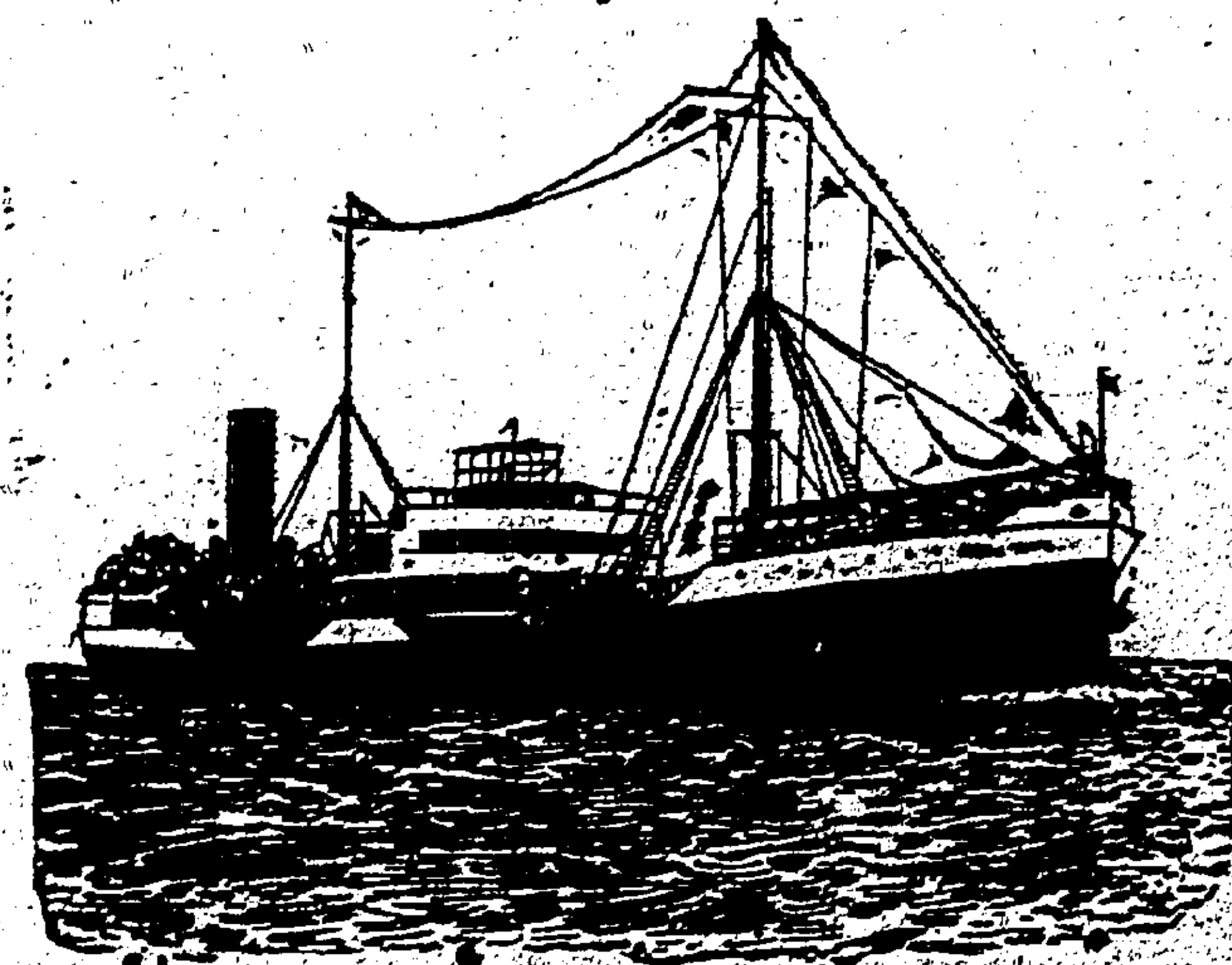
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R. M. DYER, Esq., M.A., Kowloon Dock, Hongkong.



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STEAMER	TONS	SAILING DATE	DESTINATION
"SAARBRUCKEN"	9,450	9th Feb.	Manila, Singapore.
"AACHEN"	6,000	19th March	Belawan, Colombo.
"DERFLINGER"	9,150	4th April	Port Said, Genoa.
"COBLENZ"	9,450	2nd May	Rotterdam and Hamburg.
"PFALZ"	7,190	16th June	
"TRIER"	9,450	27th June	

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL PORTWORTHLY DIRECT ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
(UNDER CONTRACT WITH H. M. GOVERNMENT.)

S.S.	Tons	From Hongkong (about)	Destination
KASHGAR	8,840	9th Feb. noon	M'les, London, & Antwerp
SOUDAN	6,696	16th Feb.	S'pore, P'ang, C'bo & B'bay
MOREA	10,911	23rd Feb.	B'bay, M'les, L'don, A'warp
ALIPORE	5,273	27th Feb.	Singapore & Bombay
KAGPORE	5,283	4th Mar.	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay
PERIN	7,548	6th Mar.	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay
KARMALA	9,098	8th Mar.	M'les, London & Antwerp
KIDDIPORE	5,334	10th Mar.	S'pore, Colombo & Bombay

BRITISH INDIA-APCAR SAILINGS (South)

JAPAN	6,052	5th Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TALMA	10,000	7th Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta
TANDA	6,956	22nd Feb.	S'pore, Penang & Calcutta

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)

ST. ALBANS	4,500	2 Feb. 4 p.m.	Manila, S'kan, Thursday
EASTERN	4,000	27th Feb.	Island, Townsville, B'bane
ARAFURA	6,000	2nd Apr.	Sydney & Melbourne.

For further information apply to—
Tel. Central Nos. 292, 293 & 2422. **Y. TAMAMOTO, Manager.**

SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN.

TANDA	6,956	31 Jan. d'light	Amoy & Kobe
EASTERN	4,000	2nd Feb.	Moji & Kobe
SOUDAN	6,696	4th Feb.	Shanghai
PERIN	7,548	7 Feb. d'light	Shanghai & Kobe
NALDERA	15,993	9th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
TAKADA	6,949	14th Feb.	Moji & Kobe

All dates are approximate and subject to alteration without notice.
WIRELESS ON ALL STEAMERS.

Parcels measuring not more than 2 1/2 ft. x 2 ft. x 1 ft. will be received at the Company's Office up to noon on the day previous to sailing.

For Passage Rates, Handbooks, Freights, etc., apply to
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JOINT SERVICE OF STEAMERS.

U. K. STRAITS, CHINA & JAPAN Service.

OUTWARDS.		HOMEWARDS.	
Vessel.	Due Hongkong.	Vessel.	Leaves Hongkong.
GLENSANDA	31st Jan.	GLENBEG	1st Mar. Genoa, L'don, R'dam & H'bu
PEMBROKESHIRE	13th Feb.		
REDNORSHIRE	25th Feb.		
GLENLUCE	10th Mar.		
GLANORSHIRE	25th Mar.		
GLENSHANE	6th Apr.		

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For freight or further particulars please apply to—

JARDINE MATHESON & CO., LTD.
THE GLEN LINE, LTD.
AGENTS

Telephone Central No. 215, sub-ex. 23 and 3696.

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Mail Steamers	Next Sailings from Hongkong	Pro. arr. at H'g. and Sailing for S'hai & Japan	Pro. Sailing from H'kong for M'les
AMBOISE	—	—	5th Feb.
CORDILLERE	—	—	18th Feb.
ANGERS	28th Dec.	31st Jan.	3rd Mar.
CHILI	10th Jan.	10th Feb.	9th Mar.
POIHOS	24th Jan.	24th Feb.	23rd Mar.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY TO MARSEILLES.
(including Table Wine and free Doctor's attendance)
A Class 1st Class £95.00 B. Class 1st Class £89.00
Steamers 2nd Class £68.00 Steamers 2nd Class £62.00

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ARRIVALS FROM EUROPE:

S.S. MAPIA	due Hongkong on the	17th Feb.
S.S. OOSTERK	"	11th Mar.
S.S. OUDERK	"	8th Apr.

SAILINGS TO EUROPE:

Steamers	For	Sailing on or about
OUDEKERK	A'dam, R'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	6th Feb.
SAFAROA	R'dam, A'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	B. of Mar.
MAPIA	A'dam, R'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	B. of Apr.
OOSTERK	R'dam, R'dam, Hamburg, Bremen	B. of May

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Through passage rates to Europe via America G. 1405, G. 1420, G. 1440.

ITO MARU ... Thursday, 31st Jan. at 11 a.m.

SHIZUOKA MARU ... Wednesday, 20th Feb.

MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP via Singapore, etc.

SUWA MARU ... Wednesday, 30th Jan. at 11 a.m.

FUSHIMI MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

HAMBURG via LONDON & ROTTERDAM.

MITO MARU ... Middle of Feb.

LIVERPOOL via MARSEILLES & VALENCIA.

DURBAN MARU ... First half of Feb.

SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila, etc.

AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb. at 11 a.m.

TANGO MARU ... Wednesday, 19th Mar.

NEW YORK and/or BOSTON via PANAMA.

MATSEBARI MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

KAMAKURA MARU ... Sunday, 17th Feb.

BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.

HAKODATE MARU ... Friday, 8th Feb.

BENGAL MARU ... Friday, 15th Feb.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

AKITA MARU ... Friday, 8th Feb.

OSAKA MARU ... Friday, 15th Feb.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TANGO MARU ... Thursday, 14th Feb.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

TSUYAMA MARU ... Monday, 4th Feb.

HAKUSAN MARU ... Tuesday, 5th Feb.

KITANO MARU ... Wednesday, 13th Feb.

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S.S. "ROSANDRA" ... Sailing on or about 3rd Feb.

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S.S. "PERIA" ... Sailing on or about 12th Feb.

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This steamer has been specially chartered to facilitate the forwarding of cargo intended for the reconstruction of the devastated areas in Japan.

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Steamer.	Arrives Hongkong from Australia.	Leave H'kong for M'la, S'kan, Thurs. Is. & A'lian Ports.
TAIYUEN	14th Feb.	19th Feb.

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City of Canterbury	21st Feb.	Marseilles, London, etc.
City of York	30th Mar.	do.
City of Cairo	18th Apr.	do.

PASSENGER SERVICE.

Single 1st Class A 298, B 244, 2nd Class A 262, B 255.
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COAST SHIPPING.

INDO CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION Co., Ltd.**SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.**

Destination.	Steamer.	Sailings.
SHANGHAI via Swatow, Vatsing	Fri.	1st Feb. at 7 a.m.
HAIPHONG via Hoihow, Leasing	Fri.	1st Feb. at 10 a.m.
MANILA ... Suisang	Sat.	2nd Feb. at 11 a.m.
SANDAKAN ... Chunsang	Sat.	2nd Feb. at 1 p.m.
TTAO via S'ow & S'hai Kwong	Wed.	6th Feb. at 7 a.m.
BANGKOK ... Hopsang	Thurs.	7th Feb. at noon.
SHANGHAI via Swatow, Loksang	Fri.	8th Feb. at 7 a.m.
STRAITS & Calcutta ... Mausang	Fri.	8th Feb. at 3 p.m.
YOKOHAMA via Kobe, Laisang	Wed.	13th Feb. at noon.
STRAITS & Calcutta ... Kutsang	Fri.	15th Feb. at 3 p.m.
KOBE ... Hosang	Fri.	22nd Feb. at noon.

Calcutta Line—This Line now affords regular sailings to Calcutta, Penang and Singapore; Returning from Calcutta steamers proceed via Straits and Hongkong to Japan occasionally calling at Shanghai.

All steamers have excellent passenger accommodation are fitted with Electric Light & Fans & carry a fully qualified Surgeon.

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S.S. "Mausang" will be despatched on or about Friday, 15th Jan. at 3 p.m. for SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.

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Haiching ... A. H. Stewart	TUES.	29th Jan. at 1 p.m.
Haichong ... W. C. Passmore	FRI.	1st Feb. at 1 p.m.
Haifong ... J. Ellis Walker	FRI.	8th Feb. at 1 p.m.

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"WAR RICH" GAMBLERS.**Crusaders on Their Track.**

The Order of Crusaders, who recently held a service in Westminster Abbey, have shown their hand. They claim to have put a check on gambling for high stakes in a country neighbourhood where many men who became rich during the war have gone to live.

Many young men of means and of prominent families have, it is stated, lost large sums of money while playing for high stakes in the houses of these war-made rich. It is not suggested that there was any trickery in the games.

The order was informed by some of its members of what had taken place.

An exceedingly careful and impartial investigation was made, said the Grand Scribe of the Crusaders to a Daily Express representative, and we found that the position was exactly as it had been represented to us.

Members of the order, who have considerable influence in the county where this gambling has been going on, have since approached the men in whose houses the games were played. They

DR. THOMPSON CAPTURED.

Peking, Jan. 29.—Doctor Thompson, who was proceeding to Peking, with the object of handing over Brigadier General Pereira's belongings, and making a full report regarding the latter's death, was captured by bandits on the 24th inst., at Paotowchen, some distance westward of the Peking-Suiyuan terminus. Dr. Thompson's last report said he hoped to reach Peking on the date he was captured.

He was not spoken to in any spirit of Fascist or Ku Klux Klan threat, but they were advised that the facts were known.

An appeal to the best side of their natures was made, and they were told that unless the gambling stopped at once the Crusaders would go further and exposure would follow.

I cannot reveal the neighbourhood, but I can say that a number of the young men involved were living away from their homes, and were losing such large sums of money that they were finding themselves in difficulties.

CONSIGNEES.

**NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.**

The Steamship "CUPRUM"

having arrived from Seattle

via ports, on January 27th Consignees are hereby notified that

their cargo is being landed at

their risk into the hazardous

and/or extra hazardous godowns

of the Hongkong and Kowloon

Wharf and Godown Company,

at Kowloon, and stored at consignees' risk.

Consignees of Cargo must produce an Import Permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading will be countersigned.

All broken, chafed and damaged cargo is to be left in the godowns, where it will be examined at 10 a.m. on Feb. 2nd. by the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Anderson and Ashe.

All claims must be presented within thirty days of the steamer's arrival here after which they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be recognised after the goods have left the godowns, and cargo undelivered on and after Feb. 3rd. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature immediately.

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RUGBY FOOTBALL.

Fine Book by W. J. A.
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Says a *Times* reviewer of
"Rugby Football" by Mr. J. A.
Davies (Webster's Publications,
18 6 net):

When congratulated from Windsor Castle the writer of this book is addressed as "Constr. Lieut. Commander W. J. A. Davies, O.B.E." but he is of such eminence that "Davies" without prefix suffice or further indication would suffice. As captain and stand-off half-back of the England Rugby XV, he exhibited many excellencies; perhaps the chief of them was his knack of doing not only a right thing but the right thing that is the thing that was timely. Consequently, it is no surprise that he should publish his book on Rugby Football in the week of the first big match since his retirement at a time when—election or no election—in clubs and crowded railway carriages and places where men discuss Rugby Football the most urgent question of all is "Who is to take Davies's place?" No one will suggest that it can be filled.

Part of his book is technical, and in that he makes it clear that Rugby Football is far from being the dog-fight that some suppose, is a warfare as intricate as cricket and much less boresome. As a professional constructor he sees that each part of the team machine has a special function to perform, and that it can only perform it without wasteful friction nicely balanced on all the other parts. But the parts are individuality—which is what "win" international matches." In addition, Mr. Davies tells us something about his own extraordinarily successful career, and recalls, in all modesty, certain famous coups of his own—as, for instance, the change of policy which enabled the Navy, the side he captained, to beat the Army in the last five minutes of the match of 1921 after being ten points behind at half-time. There is a great deal in the book about international matches and the characteristics displayed in their football by the various nations, and many most evocative passages about the methods of these great ones whom Mr. Davies assisted or thwarted on the field.

The buoyant figure of Poulton rhapsodizing, as it were, on a concertina—how clearly it comes back as we read of "the run with the head well back and ball held in outstretched hands." And the French—we have our joke with them as they have with us—they do not apparently remember that there is a time to be silent as well as a time to speak. We hear of a winging forward who, finding himself in a favourable position in a line-out, "gesticulated wildly and shouted. A moi, je suis tout seul." Mr. Kipling tells us that we get what we want if we do not bargain about the price; the Frenchman got the ball, but there arrived simultaneously—and appropriately enough out of the blue—"Stoker Tom Woods, R.N., the heaviest forward in the English pack, and Private E. R. Gardiner, ex-champion boxer of the Royal Marines."

NECESSITY FOR PRACTICE. It is suggestive that Mr. Davies does not dogmatize about technicalities; but one point he does insist on—the necessity for practice. Those famous impromptus of his—it turns out that they had all been carefully rehearsed, many of them with his partner, Mr. Kershaw. All devices within the spirit of the rules are equally good to him; they are useful or the reverse according to the conditions in which they are adopted. It is tempting to set down at length what he has to say about the use and the misuse of the kick in attack. He has been called "the worst forward in Europe," but he contrives to explain the mysteries of forward play. He is one of those half-backs who are solicitous for the forwards and would humour them by adjustment of grips when those sycophants grumble because the "scrum is uncomfortable."

Just as Mr. Davies brings out that the Rugby team is composed not of merely mechanical parts but of individuals who must think as well as act, so he proves that the Rugby drill is worth mastering for the sake of the Rugby thrill—which is not to be attained in its fullness without it. One does not associate Mr. Davies with indecision, but apparently there is one point upon which he cannot make up his mind—whether it is more enjoyable to be tackled or to tackle someone else. We shall go to Twickenham after reading this book much better equipped for enlightening our neighbours.

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Hongkong, January 30, 1924.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Telegraphic Communication with Waglan Light-house has been restored.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date.
Shanghai	Stocking	30th Jan.
C. A. Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jackson	30th
Saigon	Angers	31st
Australia & Manila	Eastern	1st Feb.
Japan	St. Albans	1st
Europe via Negapatam (Letters only)	Essex	2nd
London 3rd Jan.	Pres. Harrison	4th
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Europe via Negapatam (Papers only)	Essex	4th
London 3rd Jan.	Paris	4th
Straits	Pres. Jefferson	11th
U.S.A., Canada, Japan & Shanghai	Pres. Jefferson	11th

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date.
Batavia, Samarang & Sourabaya	Samarang M.	Thurs., 31 inst., 8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, "Victoria B.C."	Ly M.	Thurs., 31 inst., 6.30 a.m.
Europe via Siberia	(Due Victoria 29th Feb.)	
	(Correspondence specially expedited "via Siberia" only)	
Shanghai & Japan	Angers	Thurs., 31 inst., 1.30 p.m.
Shanghai	Hunan	Thurs., 31 inst., 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Hydrange	Thurs., 31 inst., 2.30 p.m.
Straits & Calcutta	Lake Park	Thurs., 31 inst., 3.30 p.m.
Haitow & Haiphong	Lemang	Fri., 1 inst., 8 a.m.

For we are made aware that the secretary of the Rugby Union is not an abstraction or a force of nature, as is generally supposed, but a Martha careful and troubled about the distribution of tea-tickets. On his way to "his first international" Mr. Davies lost his railway-ticket.

How could I break the news to Mr. Marriott, who was then in the middle of a heated argument with the dining-car attendant as to whether our party numbered twenty or twenty-one? The news was eventually broken to him, and the result cannot be described in mere pedestrian prose. For the remainder of the journey I was kept under the vigilant eye of the secretary and made to travel with him.

LONDON'S TRAFFIC CHIEF.

Superintendent Arthur Bassom, of the Public Department, New Scotland-yard, has been appointed Director of Transport Services for London, and has been granted the temporary rank of Chief Constable. This is an entirely new post. The appointment indicates that Scotland-yard has now decided to come to grips with the London traffic muddle.

WEATHER REPORT.

Jan. 30d. 11h. 23m.—Pressure has decreased slightly at stations north of latitude 18°. It is nearly stationary from Cochin China to Guam.

The anticyclone has weakened further and is probably moving eastward.

Moderate monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.02 inch. Total since January 1st, 1.05 inches, against an average of 1.36 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.

1 Formosa Channel	N.E. winds, moderate; overcast, drizzle, mist.
2 South coast of China between H.K. & Lamocks	
3 H'kong to Gap Rock	
4 South coast of China between H.K. & Hainan	

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It is this which makes the English eye hungry for wider

distances; but it is this also which contents the mind desirous of a homely security. And it is this which in time must go before the advance of the tractor, unwieldy at the turn, and before the still slow advance of more scientific and economical farming. Few systems could be more impractical than the system of hedges; the statistics of land wasted by their presence would appal; consider also the hours of labour devoted yearly to their trimming; and the nourishment drawn by them from the soil, which might benefit the necessary crops.

The wonder is that the system should have endured so long. We are a conservative race, and the farmer, who deals with the classic facts of food and propagation, is in many ways the most conservative of the community. Quick and black-thorn may and hazel, owe their continued existence mainly to his lack of initiative.

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